

Devils Lake Park Board

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

June 30th, 2026

Present at this Regular Board Meeting were Commissioners Kelli Heilman, Mark Beighley, Kale Stromme, Peter Jerome and Jamie Beck. Also present was Superintendent Steven Geigle, Office Manager Sarah Coenen, Asst Superintendent/Dockside Manager Jeff Brusven, Recreation and Concession Manager Josh Widmer and Parks & Facilities Manager Brent Schmitz. Also present were visitors Tony Prozinski, Kirk Baeth and Courtney Loegering.

Pres Beck called the regular meeting to order at 12:00 pm on June 30, 2026 at Dockside Entertainment.

I. Minutes

Comm Heilman made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting May 19th, seconded by Comm Beighley. All aye, motion carries.

II. Visitors

- A. Kirk Baeth- Kirk attended today's meeting to go over the cost of the new grand stands at the DLYA field, this would be more ADA compliant and would seat 125-140. The quote for the project is between \$500,000-\$550,000 and they have set their contribution at \$350,000. The \$100,000 grant applied for with Garrison Diversion is currently on hold so currently the project is on hold until we find out if the grant was approved.
- B. Tony Prozinski- Tony attended today's meeting to go over the blanket policy options and the cost difference.
- C. Courtney Loegering- Courtney attended today's meeting to present on operating the Clubhouse on weekends over the winter. She mentioned having special events ex: trivia night, football games etc, would have the friers open and offering off season clubhouse rentals.

III. Staff Reports

Brent Schmitz: Brent reported that the Burdick Arena is in dire need of a dehumidifier and should be installed before new sound system is installed. Brent informed the board on the cost of a warming house out at Lakewood Park, \$35,000 which would include storage for a

Josh Widmer: Josh reported that registration numbers for summer activities was pretty close to the previous year with some activities increasing in registrants. Picture Day was held June 24th and again on July 1st. Concessions have been going good for the summer and was pretty busy during the Adult Softball Tournament held June 20th, 21st.

Jeff Brusven: Jeff provided a written report and also presented some information. One of the inflatables needed a replacement slide cover, this would be \$300 and will ship out around July 7th so currently only have 1 usable inflatable at Dockside. He presented new summer hours for Dockside, see New Business item I. He presented on handicap accessible items, see New Business item J.

Steven Geigle: Steven went over his notes, community feedback and future projects.

IV. Bills

Comm Jerome made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Comm Heilman. Roll call, all aye, motion carries.

V. Treasurer's Report

Sarah provided a written report. Sarah reported that she made the \$119,000 payment for the 35 new golf carts approved in a previous meeting.

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business

- A. Granite Markers- Progress at about 40%, discount current year as there will be no signs up until end of golf season so payments will start in 2027. Comm Stromme made a motion to approve no payments until 2027, seconded by Comm Beighley.
- B. Speed and Acceleration Cameras- Steven requested to get 2 cameras installed, one in hallway and one in treadmill room. Comm Stromme made a motion to approve 2 cameras, seconded by Comm Heilman. Roll call- all aye, Pres Beck abstained.
- C. Speed and Acceleration Vertimax V8 purchase- We received a grant from Lake Region Community Funds to purchase this equipment. Comm Stromme made a motion to approve the purchase of the Vertimax V8. Seconded by Comm Jerome. Roll call-all aye. Motion Carries.
- D. Lake Area Foundation Grant- Steven requested approval to apply for a grant. Comm Heilman made a motion to approve the grant application, seconded by Comm Jerome. All aye, motion carries.
- E. Rural Health Transformation Program Grant- Steven requested approval to apply for this grant which would cover upgrades to the Ruger Park Walking Track. Comm Jerome made a motion to apply for the grant, seconded by Comm Stromme. All aye-motion carries.
- F. Burdick Arena Sound and Light Upgrade- Steven presented quotes to upgrade sound and lights, the Devils Lake Park Board will not need to apply funds to this, other groups using the Burdick Arena will pay for the upgrade. The groups decided this year they will just upgrade the sound and possibly the lights next year. Comm Stromme made a motion to allow groups to upgrade the sound system, seconded by Comm Beighley. All aye-motion carries.
- G. Attorney for Park District- Attorney Broden sent an email stating he is getting ready to retire and will no longer be available as our attorney, Steven requested approval to seek out new attorney and asked if the board had any recommendations. The board did not believe they were required to give approval, no motion.
- H. Debit Card for Accounts Payable at Old National for larger purchases- Sarah requested that we get a debit card for larger purchases where the vendor will not bill and requires payment up front. Comm Stromme made a motion to table this for now to look into other options, seconded by Comm Jerome. All aye-motion carries.
- I. Dockside Hours- Jeff requested that during the summer the hours of operation be changed to close at 7pm as there is not much business after that point, this would be from Memorial day to Labor Day but will start July 13th. Comm Stromme made a motion to change hours starting July 13th, seconded by Comm Heilman. All aye- motion carries.
- J. Special Accommodations for handicap at Dockside- Jeff requested approval to be able to make discretionary decisions on therapeutic/medical devices with wheels on the track. Comm Stromme made a motion to approve special accommodations at Dockside, seconded by Comm Jerome. All aye-motion carries.

VIII. Commissioner Portfolios

Regular meeting is set to take place on Monday July 13th at noon.

Comm Beighley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Comm Jerome. Pres Beck adjourned the meeting at 1:40 pm.

Commissioner

Recording Clerk