Medinah Park District

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
March 18, 2026 6:30PM
Connolly Recreation Center
22W130 Thorndale Avenue, Medinah, IL.

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Medinah Park District, DuPage County, Illinois was held on Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at the Connolly Recreation Center, 22Wl30 Thorndale Avenue, Medinah, IL.

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 6:31PM by President Neitzke.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Commissioners Present:
Alyssa Neitzke, President
Irene Jarocinski, Vice President
Jaclyn Scafidi, Commissioner Matt
McAlevy, Commissioner

Commissioners Absent: Gokhan Cukurova, Commissioner

Staff Present:
Maria Piworski, Executive Director
Dan Touzios, Deputy Director
Vince DeGrado, Superintendent of Parks
Brooks Wogelius, Recreation Supervisor
Laura Reilly, Recreation Supervisor

Public in Attendance
Jean Ott
Al Kubalewski
Robert Zoltek
Maria Ameneiro

Quorum
Commissioner Neitzke recognized a quorum.

Approval of Agenda
President Neitzke asked if there were any requests to remove items from the agenda. President Neitzke asked for a motion. It was moved by President Neitzke and seconded by Commissioner Scafidi to approve the agenda as presented. President Neitzke asked for discussion. There was none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:
Aye: AN, IJ, JS, MM
Nay: None.
Absent: GC
Motion Carried.

Approval of Consent Agenda

President Neitzke asked if there were any additions, corrections, or deletions to the consent agenda. President Neitzke asked for a correction on a date to be made on the February 18th Regular meeting Minutes. President Neitzke explained that a policy had been mentioned in the approving minutes and stated that approval of these minutes does not imply approval of mentioned policy.

It was moved by President Neitzke, and seconded by Commissioner Scafidi to approve the consent agenda as presented pending changes. President Neitzke asked for discussion. There was none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:
Aye: AN, IJ, JS, MM
Nay: None.
Absent: GC
Motion Carried.

New Business

A. None

Staff Reports

A. **Deputy Director Report –** President Neitzke asked if the Credit Card Machine was working as it was malfunctioning. Dan Touzios, Deputy Director explained that it was repaired.

B. **Recreation Report-** No questions

C. **Risk Management Report** – President Neitzke asked when the affiliate group contracts are due for review to PDRMA. Deputy Director Dan Touzios explained they are due at the end of the year.

D. **Parks/Maintenance Report-** President Neitzke asked if the broken outlets in the gym had been repaired. Vince DeGrado, Supt. of Parks explained that they were repaired.

Attorney's Report - None

Citizen Comments - 6:36 PM

Al Kubalewski - asked what specific capital projects are planned on being completed this year. President Neitzke explained that it would be discussed further in the meeting.

Robert Zoltac – Robert spoke in regards to his father and his father's contributions to the early growth of the Medinah Park District and asked if there was a way to honor his father and others that contributed to the district in some way such as park re-naming. There was discussion.

Jean Ott explained that there wouldn't be enough park signs to accommodate the recognition of all the past commissioners and would perhaps be best to rather create an honor wall within the CRC building. She congratulated Maria Piworski, Executive Director on her appointment as Executive Director.

Written/Verbal Communication from Public to Staff/Commissioners

Executive Director Maria Piworski had received a resident complaint from Mark McGovern who asked about the piles of brush that are stacked at the Metra parking lot. Vince DeGrado, Supt. of parks explained he had spoke to the resident and also explained he is planning on removing the brush very soon but was waiting for the poison ivy on it to die before staff are handling it.

Executive Director Maria Piworski had received a resident complaint from Jean Ott regarding a missing trash can with waste bags on the ground – Supt. Vince DeGrado explained the trash can was there but blown over and they have resolved the issue.

Deputy Director Dan Touzios received a letter from Jean Ott explaining that a previous ordinance for placement of an art sculpture by the Roselle Culture Foundation was not approved and should be reviewed. There was discussion.

Director's Report-Notes

DCEO Grant – Awaiting reimbursement from state.

Budget and Appropriation Ordinance Filing – Filing has been completed.

NEDSRA – Next meeting April 8th, 2026, Executive Director Piworski will attend.

IAPD Legislative Breakfast – Executive Director Maria Piworski and Deputy Director Dan Touzios attended.

GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting – District has Received this certificate this year and is the 7th year this has been received. Commissioner Scafidi congratulated Executive Director Piworski for her work to obtain this award.

Items for Discussion

2026 Capital Budget Costs – Deputy Director Dan Touzios explained the upcoming capital projects and the corresponding project cost breakdown. There was discussion. There was discussion of potential enhancements to Meacham Creek Park. There are plans of some installations of benches and interpretative signage this year.

2026 Presidents Cup- In process of reviewing contract with PGA.

IAPD Legislative Conference – Springfield IL on May 5th and 6th – Please RSVP to Maria as soon as possible if any commissioners are interested in attending.

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Jarocinski asked if the window sealing project is still in the plans. Dan Touzios, Deputy Director explained that he is still in communication with the company and are awaiting better warmer weather.
Commissioners congratulated new staff on new roles within the district and commented on how happy they are with the direction that the district is going.

Old Business/Action Items

A. Items removed from Consent agenda. (If necessary)

B. FOIA Requests – Jean Ott – FOIA request was fulfilled

New Business/Action Items

A. Resolution 26-5: A&A Paving - Moved by President Neitzke and seconded by Commissioner Scafidi.

ROLL CALL VOTE:
Aye: AN, IJ, JS, MM
Nay: None.
Absent: GC
Motion Carried.

B. Resolution 26-6: Keifer USA - Moved by President Neitzke and seconded by Commissioner McAlevy.

ROLL CALL VOTE:
Aye: AN, IJ, JS, MM
Nay: None.
Absent: GC
Motion Carried.

C. Staff Appointments

Board Secretary, Dan Touzios
Assistant Board Secretary, Maria Piworski
FOIA Officer, Maria Piworski
Alternate FOIA Officer, Dan Touzios
NEDSRA Representative, Maria Piworski
Alternate NEDSRA Representative, Dan Touzios
PDRMA Representative, Maria Piworski
Alternate PDRMA Representative, Dan Touzios
Lake Park Tax Consortium Representative, Maria Piworski
Alternate Lake Park Tax Consortium Representative, Dan Touzios

It was moved by President Neitzke, and seconded by Commissioner Scafidi to approve appointments as presented. President Neitzke asked for discussion. There was none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:
Aye: AN, IJ, JS, MM
Nay: None.
Absent: GC
Motion Carried.

Citizen Comments - 7:34PM

Jean Ott – Asked about the commissioner's park sign and stated that it may be saved for future use. Asked if the Gymnasium flooring project was also in the TIPS comparative pricing program. Dan Touzios, Deputy Director explained that it was.

Adjournment

It was moved by President Neitzke, and seconded by Commissioner Jarocinski to adjourn the March 18th Regular board meeting at 7:35PM. President Neitzke asked for discussion. There was none.

VOICE VOTE:
Aye: AN, IJ, JS, MM
Nay: None.
Absent: GC
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Touzios, Board Secretary	Alyssa Neitzke, Board President

Date: March 18th, 2026