

**Springfield Park District**  
**BOARD MEETING**

John F. Linxwiler Administrative Office / Bunn Park  
2500 South 11th Street / Springfield, IL  
**Wednesday, February 18, 2026**  
**5:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

Members Participating in Person: President Sgro, Trustees Aiello, Eck, Farmer, Hoogland, Rodgers, and Theilen.

Members Participating by Phone: None

Members Unavailable: None

Others Participating in Person: Derek Harms, Executive Director, Jason Graham, Director of Parks and Planning; Nathan Essex, Director of Recreation and Marketing; Doug Bates, Director of Finance and IT; Rob Cross, Legal Counsel; Staff and Public

1. Call to order

Trustee Theilen called the meeting to order

2. Minutes of the Previous Meetings for Approval

Motion: to approve Board Minutes of January 2026

Moved by: Trustee Theilen

Seconded by: Trustee Aiello

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Aiello: Aye Eck: Aye Farmer: Aye

Hoogland: Aye Rodgers: Aye Sgro: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

3. Public Comment:

Robert Pinkston, with the Springfield Zoological Society, addressed the Board about upcoming events at the Henson Robinson Zoo.

4. Finance and Human Resources (Chair Theilen)

Motion: to accept 2026 Bond Projects list as presented to Joint Committee on February 11, 2026

Moved by: Trustee Farmer

Seconded by: Trustee Aiello

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Aiello: Aye Eck: Aye Farmer: Aye

Hoogland: Aye Rodgers: Aye Sgro: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

5. Business

Motion: to approve Supplemental Statement of Claims/Visa Bills

Moved by: Trustee Eck

Seconded by: Trustee Aiello

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Aiello: Aye Eck: Aye Farmer: Aye

Hoogland: Aye Rodgers: Aye Sgro: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees,  
it was moved by Trustee Farmer and seconded by Trustee  
Theilen that the meeting adjourn at 5:37 p.m.