

Springfield Park District
BOARD MEETING

John F. Linxwiler Administrative Office / Bunn Park
2500 South 11th Street / Springfield, IL

Wednesday, August 19, 2026
5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

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

Members Participating by Phone: None

Members Unavailable: President Sgro and Trustee Hoogland

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

1. Call to order

Trustee Farmer called the meeting to order.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meetings for Approval

Motion: to approve Board Minutes of July 2026.

Moved by: Trustee Theilen

Seconded by: Trustee Aiello

Discussion: None

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

Rodgers: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

3. Long Range Planning (Chair Hoogland)

Motion: to approve permanent and a temporary construction sewer easement with Sangamon County Water Reclamation District for sewer improvements at Duncan Park.

Moved by: Trustee Rodgers

Seconded by: Trustee Theilen

Discussion: None

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

Rodgers: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

4. Finance and Human Resources (Chair Theilen)

Motion: to approve Ordinance #1539-27 providing for the issue of approximately \$2,000,000 General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2026A, of the Springfield Park District, Sangamon County, Illinois, for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District, including the installation of a solar array along with other improvements to the Nelson Center roof and paying the expenses incident thereto, providing

for the pledge of certain revenues to the payment of principal and interest on said bonds and the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay such principal and interest if the pledged revenues are insufficient to make such payment and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.

Moved by: Trustee Theilen

Seconded by: Trustee Eck

Discussion: None

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

Rodgers: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

5. Grants and Marketing Committee (Chair Eck)

Motion: to approve Resolution #455-27 authorizing submission of an OSLAD Grant Application in an amount of \$200,000.

Moved by: Trustee Eck

Seconded by: Trustee Theilen

Discussion: None

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

Rodgers: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

6. Recreation Committee (Chair Farmer)

Motion: to authorize staff to enter into a contract with Total Platform Tennis for repairs to the platform tennis courts at the Velasco Tennis Center in Washington Park, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. Funding for the project will be provided through donations from the platform tennis group, with the remaining amount funded through the 2024 bond account number 36-01-5340.

Moved by: Trustee Theilen

Seconded by: Trustee Theilen

Discussion: None

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

Rodgers: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

7. Business

Motion: to approve Supplemental Statement of Claims/Visa Bills

Moved by: Trustee Theilen

Seconded by: Trustee Aiello

Discussion: None

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

Rodgers: Aye Theilen: Aye

Motion Passed: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees,
it was moved by Trustee Eck and seconded by Trustee Theilen
that the meeting adjourn at 5:35 p.m.