



Board of Park Commissioners Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting

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MINUTES of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of the Northbrook Park District Board of Commissioners held in person on Monday, January 19, 2026, Joe Doud Administration Building, 545 Academy Drive, Northbrook, Illinois.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL — COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING

President Goodman called the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Commissioners Present: President Goodman; Commissioners Chambers, Kumar, Mirza (arrived at 7:08pm), Risdon and Silverman

Commissioners Absent: Vice President Chao

Officers Present: Secretary Leiner; Assistant Secretary Peterson

Staff Present: Directors Kim, Olas (left at 7:38pm) and Scovic; Business Manager Drahos; Superintendent of Athletics & Fitness Shea; IT Manager Smith (left at 7pm)

Staff Absent: Directors Baron and Tokar

Guests: Michael Cottick, Shamus McLaughlin, Paul Ardizzoni, of Bulley & Andrews; Matt Duggan, Ania Szulc and Lindsay Lotysz of Wight & Company

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS – NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Goodman called for a motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Chambers moved to approve the Agenda as proposed. Commissioner Silverman seconded the motion.

Roll Call: President Goodman, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Kumar, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman voted aye.

Motion Passed: 5 ayes; 0 nays; 2 absent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of December 8, 2025 were previously distributed and reviewed. President Goodman called for any changes to the Minutes. Hearing none, Commissioner Chambers made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of December 8, 2025 as presented. Commissioner Silverman seconded the motion.

Roll Call: President Goodman, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Kumar, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman voted aye.

Motion Passed: 5 ayes; 0 nays; 2 absent

PRESENTATION

Meadowhill Aquatic Center Renovation Completed Project Review

Executive Director Leiner welcomed Michael Cottick, Shamus McLaughlin, and Paul Ardizzoni of Bulley & Andrews to the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting. Mr. Cottick, Mr. McLaughlin, and Mr. Ardizzoni delivered the final presentation on the Meadowhill Aquatic Center Renovation Project. Commissioners participated in a question-and-answer session following the presentation and expressed their appreciation to the Bulley & Andrews team for their professionalism and consideration shown to neighboring residents throughout the project.

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Northbrook Community Center Renovation Project Update

Michael Cottick, Shamus McLaughlin and Paul Ardizzoni of Bulley & Andrews provided a presentation on the status of the Northbrook Community Center Renovation Project. The team reviewed project safety measures, provided a detailed financial update on contingency funds, and shared renovation progress photos. Commissioners engaged in a question-and-answer session. Executive Director Leiner and Director Loftus will host facility tours for Commissioners, and Directors Kim and Loftus have also been conducting tours for staff.

Revised Furniture Options for the Northbrook Community Center Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment Phase I

Executive Director Leiner introduced Matt Duggan, Ania Szulc, and Lindsay Lotysz of Wight & Company, noting the Park District's long and successful partnership with the firm. Staff shared the Board's feedback regarding furniture selections for the Northbrook Community Center, and the project team evaluated revised options within a similar price range. Mr. Duggan, Ms. Szulc, and Ms. Lotysz presented updated furniture selections for the Knowledge Center/Lobby, with several pieces to be used in the Fine Arts Lounge/Hallway. Commissioners engaged in a question-and-answer discussion. By consensus, the Board of Commissioners selected Option 2 with the Rein Guest Chair by OFS and solid surface tabletops. The High Tide Guest Chair by Integra was selected as an alternative. Commissioners thanked the team for their efforts and for refining the furniture selections.

Class 6b Tax Incentive Request – 2525 Shermer Road

Executive Director Leiner provided background information for the Class 6B Property Incentive request for property at 2525 Shermer Road. Commissioners engaged in a discussion. The Board provided consensus for Executive Director Leiner to respond to the Village that Commissioners understand the need to advance development in the community and are supportive of the request as outlined in the December 23, 2025 transmittal.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / VERBAL UPDATES

Statement of Economic Interest

Executive Administrative Assistant Peterson provided an update on the required annual filing of the Statement of Economic with the Cook County Clerk's Office. Filing deadline is May 1, 2026.

Lake Management Plan

Director Kim provided an update on the Park District Lake Management Plan. Boating is not allowed on Lake Shermerville or the pond at Antesberger Golf Course. Water condition, depth and fishing were highlighted. Water quality will continue to be monitored, and a fish study will be conducted in the future. Commissioners engaged in a question-and-answer session.

NEW BUSINESS

Administration and Finance

Consider December Voucher Report

Executive Director Leiner did not receive any voucher questions prior to the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting. President Goodman called for questions. Hearing none, Commissioner Risdon moved to recommend the Board approve the December 2025 vouchers in the amount of \$2,007,612.32 to the full Board for approval. Commissioner Chambers seconded the motion.

Roll Call: President Goodman, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Kumar, Commissioner Mirza, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman voted aye.

Motion Passed: 6 ayes; 0 nays; 1 absent

Consider Ordinance 26-O-1, 2026 Budget and Appropriation

Executive Director Leiner provided information on Ordinance 26-O-1, Budget and Appropriation. A public notice was placed in the *Daily Herald* stating that a Public Hearing on the 2025 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held

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on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, at 7pm at the Joe Doud Administration Building. President Goodman called for questions. Hearing none, Commissioner Risdon moved to approve Ordinance 26-O-1, an Ordinance making a Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation of Funds for the Northbrook Park District for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 to the full Board for adoption. Commissioner Mirza seconded the motion.

Roll Call: President Goodman, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Kumar, Commissioner Mirza, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman voted aye.

Motion Passed: 6 ayes; 0 nays; 1 absent

Consider Approval of Expenses – Board of Commissioner per Ordinance 17-O-1 Travel Expense Control Act
Executive Director Leiner provided background information on the IAPD/IPRA Soaring to New Heights Conference that will be held on January 29-31, 2026 in Chicago. President Goodman called for questions. Hearing none, Commissioner Risdon moved to approve travel expenses for President Goodman, Vice President Chao, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Mirza, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman to attend the IAPD/IPRA Soaring to New Heights Conference on January 29-31, 2026, as part of their Park Board of Commissioner responsibilities. Commissioner Chambers seconded the motion.

Roll Call: President Goodman, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Kumar, Commissioner Mirza, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman voted aye.

Motion Passed: 6 ayes; 0 nays; 1 absent

Parks and Properties

Consider Surplus Ordinance 26-O-2, Park District Equipment

Director Kim presented Surplus Ordinance 26-O-2, Park District Equipment. President Goodman called for questions. Hearing none, Commissioner Chambers moved to approve Surplus Ordinance 26-O-2, Park District Equipment to the full Board for approval. Commissioner Silverman seconded the motion.

Roll Call: President Goodman, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Kumar, Commissioner Mirza, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman voted aye.

Motion Passed: 6 ayes; 0 nays; 1 absent

Consider Lightning Detection System Replacement Purchase

Director Kim provided background information on the replacement of the Lightning Detection System. The system warns park and facility patrons of potential lightning hazards. Units are installed at various locations throughout the Park District. The Strike Guard system is reaching the end of its useful life and becoming increasingly unreliable. President Goodman called for questions. Hearing none, Commissioner Chambers moved to approve the Lightning Detection System Replacement purchase to perry Weather of Dallas, Texas in the amount of \$164,000 through the cooperative purchasing group TIPS #240102 to the full Board for approval. Commissioner Silverman seconded the motion.

Roll Call: President Goodman, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Kumar, Commissioner Mirza, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman voted aye.

Motion Passed: 6 ayes; 0 nays; 1 absent

Consider Golf Robotic Mower Lease Agreement

Director Kim provided background information on the lease agreement of a Golf Robotic Mower for the Anetsberger Golf Course and Heritage Oaks Golf Club. The program includes leasing three robotic units to focus on rough maintenance and the Practice Range. Commissioners engaged in a question-and-answer session. President Goodman called for additional questions. Commissioner Chambers moved to approve the Golf Robotic Mower Lease

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Agreement to Automated Outdoor Solutions of Woodstock, Illinois in the amount of \$81,552 for the three-year contract to the full Board for approval. Commissioner Silverman seconded the motion.

Roll Call: President Goodman, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Kumar, Commissioner Mirza, Commissioner Risdon and Commissioner Silverman voted aye.

Motion Passed: 6 ayes; 0 nays; 1 absent

Recreation

Annual Techny Prairie Activity Center Update

Director Loftus and Superintendent Shea presented the annual operations update for the Techny Prairie Activity Center (TPAC). TPAC concluded 2025 with 1,898 total full and track memberships. Facility usage has increased, driven by stronger participation in personal fitness classes and personal training, indicating solid demand for fitness programming. Staff have expanded outreach efforts through participation in community events. Once individuals visit the facility, participation and retention rates are strong. Efforts are ongoing to attract athletics participants into the building. The temporary relocation of the Senior Center to TPAC during the Northbrook Community Center renovation has further increased community awareness. Additional revenue opportunities are being pursued through expanded birthday party and rental offerings, with rental agreements and processes currently being formalized. Superintendent Shea was recognized for doing an excellent job strengthening overall TPAC operations. Commissioners engaged in discussion following the presentation.

OLD BUSINESS

State of the Village

Executive Director Leiner noted that the State of the Village address will be held at 9am on Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at the Northbrook Public Library.

2026 IAPD/IPRA Soaring to New Heights Conference

Conference information will be included in the Regular Board Meeting packet.

February Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting

The February Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting will be held on Monday, February 9, 2026 based on Commissioner availability.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Silverman made a motion to adjourn the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting at 8:48pm. Commissioner Chambers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
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/s/ Chris Leiner

Chris Leiner, Secretary
Board of Commissioners/wap