Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Of the Fon du Lac Park District – Tazewell County, Illinois Held Monday, June 16, 2025, at 4:00 PM

Vise President Seth Landwehr called the Regular Meeting of the Fon du Lac Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 4:00 pm on Monday, June 16, 2025. Upon roll call, the following members answered present: Vice President Seth Landwehr, Commissioners Rick Schwab, Steve Deatherage and Les Newton. President Jody Pullium was absent. Also, present Attorney Kate Carter, Police Chief Dale Orr, Superintendent of Parks Adam Mingus, Director Craig Weigle, Secretary Erin Glover and Steven Blackburn.

Minutes of Meetings

Motion to approve the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held May 19, 2025, by Landwehr, seconded by Schwab, Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to Adjourn Regular Session for Reorganization of the Board at 4:01 p.m. by Landwehr, seconded by Schwab. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to appoint Rick Schwab as President Pro Tempore by Landwehr, seconded by Newton. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to appoint Seth Landwehr as President, Rick Schwab as Vice President, and Erin Glover as both Treasurer and Secretary by Schwab, seconded by Deatherage. Motions carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to appoint Rick Joseph and Miller, Hall and Triggs as Attorney/Law Firm for the District by Schwab, seconded by Landwehr. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to approve the 2025 - 2026 Fiscal Year Meeting Schedule by Schwab , seconded by Newton. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to hire the following Administrative Staff: Craig Weigle as Executive Director and Superintendent of Recreation, Dale Orr Chief of Police, Thomas Wolff as Director of Golf through June 30, 2025, Adam Mingus as Superintendent of Parks, and Erin Glover as Business Manager by Schwab, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 aves

Motion to return to Regular Session at 4:05 pm by Schwab, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Correspondence

Recognition of Visitors

Michael Powell, Heather Powell, and Channel 22 were present

Finance

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Reports and place it on file by Landwehr, seconded by Schwab. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to approve the Bills between Meetings and the Bills to be paid by Landwehr, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to approve the Financial Report and place on file subject to audit by Landwehr, seconded by Schwab. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Motion to approve the Helping Hands Reports by Landwehr, seconded by Newton. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Of the Fon du Lac Park District – Tazewell County, Illinois Held Monday, June 16, 2025, at 4:00 PM

Building and Grounds

Director's Report: Director Weigle reported that a soft disc golf tournament is scheduled for this weekend, serving as a lead-up to the Ledgestone Tournament in August.

The River Sweep took place on May 16, organized by 7th grade students and staff from Germantown Hills Middle School. This initiative was part of the Illinois River Clean-Up Service Day, during which participants collected and cataloged trash from Cooper South to Spindler Campground.

S & S Signs and Lighting has begun the lighting replacement project at both the tennis courts and the sports gym.

The Twisted Tri Event, co-hosted by Farrell's and the Park District was held on June 7, and successfully raised \$5,475 for Camp Hope. This event will now be held annually.

Tom Wolff has announced his retirement after 31.5 years of service. He began his career as Superintendent of Golf and was later promoted to Director of Golf. Tom played a pivotal role in numerous improvements, including the development of the indoor golf center "The Covey," renovations to the banquet facilities, the creation of outdoor space for wedding venues, and the relocation of the pro shop from the basement to the main level.

The youth dance program held its first-ever recital, which drew an audience of nearly 300 attendees. Special thanks to Kris Holcomb and Kirstin Bastean for launching the program last year. The second season is set to begin in August.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Mingus reported that the maintenance crew has completed the water and sewer line installation, demolition of the bathrooms and pavilion, and tree and stump removal for the Neumann Park Improvement Project. The campground shower house is receiving some much-needed attention, including a full exterior repaint. Preparations for upcoming disc golf tournaments are also underway, with mulching, mowing, and trimming work.

Personnel

Motion to approve Steven Blackburn as Director of Golf starting July 1, 2025, by Newton, seconded by Landwehr. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Land Development

Nothing to review

Programs, Facilities and Policy

Director Weigle provided a report detailing the current and upcoming sports programs.

Chief Orr noted an increase in departmental activity with the arrival of warmer weather and higher public presence in local parks.

On June 9, the department participated in a large-scale regional maritime training exercise on the Illinois River. The event included multiple state, local, and federal law enforcement, marine, and search and rescue agencies. The training provided valuable, real-world scenario practice and was beneficial for all participants.

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Of the Fon du Lac Park District – Tazewell County, Illinois Held Monday, June 16, 2025, at 4:00 PM

Chief Orr also introduced Officer Powell, who attended with his wife, Heather. Officer Powell is transitioning from part-time to full-time status. He has been an integral part of daily operations and brings extensive experience, including certifications as a Field Training Officer (FTO), FTO Supervisor, and various instructor-level credentials. Chief Orr plans to formally swear in Officer Powell as a full-time officer following the board meeting.

Director Weigle introduced Steven Blackburn. He will be taking Tom Wolff's place as Director of Golf starting in July.

Old Business

Nothing to review

New Business

President Pullium appointed the following Committee Assignments

- Finance Pullium
- Building & Grounds Deatherage
- Personnel Newton
- Land Development Landwehr
- Programs, Facilities, Policies Schwab

Motion to adjourn by Landwehr, seconded by Schwab. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes Meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by:		
,	President	
Reviewed and approved by:		
	Vice President	
Reviewed and approved by:		
	Secretary	