

**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Of the Fon du Lac Park District – Tazewell County, Illinois
Held Monday, August 18, 2025, at 4:00 PM**

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, August 18, 2025. Upon roll call, the following members answered present: President Seth Landwehr, Vice President Rick Schwab, Commissioners Jody Pullium and Les Newton. Commissioner Steve Deatherage was absent. Also, present Attorney Rick Joseph, Police Chief Dale Orr, Superintendent of Parks Adam Mingus, Director of Golf Steven Blackburn, Director Craig Weigle, and Secretary Erin Glover.

Minutes of Meetings

Motion to approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held July 21, 2025, by Landwehr, seconded by Schwab, Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Correspondence

Nothing to review

Recognition of Visitors

Channel 22 was also present.

Finance

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

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

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

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

Building and Grounds

Director Report: Director Weigle reported that Aupperle Construction is finalizing the schedule for the Neumann Park Project, with work expected to begin in the coming weeks. The roller hockey rink perimeter fencing is complete, including an 8" batter board system at its base.

The Farm Park will close for the season on September 1, with preparations for Witches Walk beginning shortly thereafter. This year's Witches Walk will take place on October 17, 18, 24, and 25.

Ledgestone recently hosted its first disc golf tournament at Brady Park, receiving positive feedback. The Surf's Up Foam Fest – Summer Send-Off was a major success, drawing hundreds of participants.

The buses used for senior and summer camp programs are now 10 years old. We are exploring state bid pricing for replacements and assessing the current value of the existing fleet. A neighboring Park District has expressed interest in purchasing the current buses.

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Superintendent Report: Superintendent Mingus reported that the maintenance crew has primarily been focused on general upkeep and maintenance of the parks and facilities. Brush cutting was also done at Bennett's Terraqueous Gardens which was long overdue.

Personnel

Nothing to review

Land Development

Nothing to review

Programs, Facilities and Policy

Recreation Programs Report: Director Weigle reported that Latchkey will be starting up again in the next week along with the fall Sports for Tots program featuring both soccer and football activities.

Police Report: Chief Orr reported that the annual WTB event was successful, with attendees remaining orderly and expressing appreciation for the department's presence. In addition to this event, the department responded to two separate distress calls on the river, assisting individuals who needed to be rescued from the water. Extra patrols are also being conducted along Fondulac Drive in response to complaints of speeding.

Chief Orr also informed the board of his intention to renew the Lexipol contract upon its expiration at the end of the year. The majority of the associated costs will be covered by an IPRF grant.

Golf Report: Golf Director Blackburn reported that it is prime outing season and that both Quail and Fondulac have been very busy. Commissioner Schwab noted that Steven hit the ground running and is doing a good job.

Old Business

Nothing to review

New Business

Nothing to review

Motion to adjourn by Landwehr, seconded by Pullium. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by: _____
President

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Vice President

Reviewed and approved by: _____
Secretary