

**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners  
Of the Fon du Lac Park District – Tazewell County, Illinois  
Held Monday, August 17, 2026, at 4:00 PM**

President Rick Schwab called the Regular Meeting of the Fon du Lac Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 4:00 pm on Monday, August 17, 2026. Upon roll call, the following members answered present: President Rick Schwab, Vice President Steve Deatherage, and Commissioner Les Newton. Commissioner Landwehr and Pullium were absent. Also present were Attorney Rick Joseph, Superintendent of Parks Adam Mingus, Director of Golf Steven Blackburn, Superintendent of Recreation Brealyn Whitaker, Director Craig Weigle, and Secretary Erin Glover.

**Minutes of Meetings**

Motion to approve the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held July 20, 2026, by Schwab, seconded by Newton, Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

**Correspondence**

**Recognition of Visitors**

Director Weigle shared a Facebook post that East Peoria Community High School had posted publicly thanking the Park District and other local municipalities for their assistance throughout their closure due to a water main break.

**Finance**

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Reports and place it on file by Schwab, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Motion to approve the Bills between Meetings and the Bills to be paid by Schwab, seconded by Newton. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Motion to approve the Financial Report and place on file subject to audit by Schwab, seconded by Newton. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Motion to approve the Helping Hands Reports by Schwab, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

**Building and Grounds**

Director Weigle reported that the new splash pad opened on July 27<sup>th</sup> and is experiencing heavy use. The splash pad will remain open through Labor Day. Remaining project items include parking lot striping, installation of playground equipment, and shade structures. He also noted that the August 8 event at Fon du Lac Farm Park was a success, attracting more than 300 attendees. The Farm Park transitioned to fall operating hours beginning the week of August 10 and will remain open Thursday through Sunday until closing for the season on September 7.

Superintendent Mingus reported ongoing work on Neumann Park signage and project completion items, including restroom fixtures, baby changing stations, grills, and seating. Staff also continued preparations for the LedgeStone Tournament, vehicle maintenance, and routine groundskeeping activities.

**Personnel**

Nothing to review

**Land Development**

Motion to approve Ordinance # 8172026 – L2 an ordinance of the Fon du Lac Park District, Tazewell County, Illinois entering into an agreement to purchase property consisting of approximately 2.822 acres commonly known as 22089 Spring Creek Road, East Peoria, Illinois from the Vera Crumley Estate by Schwab, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

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**Programs, Facilities and Policy**

Superintendent Whitaker provided a brief overview of current and upcoming recreation programs. The end-of-summer Foam Fiesta event was unfortunately canceled due to inclement weather. The brochure for the 2026 Just for Kids Golf Tournament was also distributed for review.

Golf Director Blackburn reported strong activity over the last month, with high public play, successful outings, and continued heavy use of both courses and the driving range. Staff are preparing for the upcoming high school golf season, and the course grounds crews were recognized for maintaining excellent course conditions throughout the busy summer season.

Chief Orr was absent but provided the monthly call listing for review.

**Old Business**

Nothing to review

**New Business**

Nothing to review

**Executive Session**

Nothing to review

Motion to adjourn by Newton, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
President

Reviewed and approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vice President

Reviewed and approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary