



Minutes
Board of Commissioners Meeting
October 20, 2025, 6:30 P.M.
Johnston Recreation Center

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomington Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Marshall at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Bryen Travis, Andre Burke, Gerace Olson, Frank Saverino, and Jerry Marhsall and staff members Joe Potts, Jennifer Vale, Lonna Converso, Chris Tompkins, Mesha Hadzic, Mark Goode, and Jackie Tithof Steere.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Board, staff, and visitors recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

(At this point, the Board moved up Item 5 on the agenda.)

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Travis, to establish the Consent Agenda of October 20, 2025. On roll call vote the motion was approved 4-0, with Commissioner Olson abstaining.

Aye:	Burke, Travis, Saverino, Marshall
Nay:	None
Absent:	None

The following Consent Agenda items were considered by the Park District to be routine and were enacted in one motion with no separate discussion.

- A. Approval of Minutes – September 8, 2025
October 11, 2025
- B. Acceptance of Financial Reports – September 2025
- C. Approval of Directive to Pay – October 20, 2025

Commissioner Saverino moved, seconded by Commissioner Burke, to approve the Consent Agenda of October 20, 2025. On voice vote the motion was approved 4-0, with Commissioner Olson abstaining.

(The Board resumed the normal order of the agenda.)

The District complimented the auditors on their hard work and vice versa. The District will be issued an internal control letter with no testing exceptions, and Selden Fox will assist BPD in applying for the Government Finance Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to accept the FY 2024-2025 Audit Report/Findings as presented by Selden Fox, Ltd. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Burke, Olson, Travis, Saverino, Marshall
Nay: None
Absent: None

(Andrew left the meeting at approximately 6:50 p.m.)

Health Insurance Renewal for 2026

Staff recommended continuing with similar coverage offered through the Park District Risk Management Agency as in years past – with the addition of another HMO plan. The recommendations included: an HMO Blue Advantage plan, an HMO Illinois plan and a PPO plan with a \$2,000 deductible and \$1,000 HRA. All plans are administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield. Also addressed were cost increases of 9.92% (PPO) and 8.7% (HMO), cost controls, the continuation of GLP-1 weight loss medication coverage, and the maintenance of employee contribution amounts: HMO 17.5%, PPO 30%, and vision and dental 20%.

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Saverino, to accept the health insurance renewal recommendation for the 2026 calendar year. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Burke, Saverino, Travis, Olson, Marshall
Nay: None
Absent: None

Approval of IAPD Credentials Certificate

As it does each year, the Board identified delegates and alternates to be authorized to vote on matters presented during the 2026 Illinois Association of Park Districts' annual business meeting Saturday, January 31, 2026, at 3:30 p.m.

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to appoint Executive Director Potts as delegate, President Marshall as first alternate, and Commissioner Burke as second alternate for the IAPD annual business meeting. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Burke, Olson, Travis, Saverino, Marshall
Nay: None
Absent: None

Approval of Resolution No. 2025-06: Abuse, Boundary Violation Prevention Policy

Staff clarified questions from the Board from the previous Board Meeting and presented the revised draft, which had been approved by Attorney Derke Price, for Board approval. The Board complimented staff on incorporating abuse prevention for coaches. Created and recommended by PDRMA, the policy is considered best practice to ensure the District does not intentionally or unintentionally create abuse in any way.

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Saverino, to approve Resolution No. 2025-06: A Resolution Adopting an Abuse and Boundary Violation Prevention Policy. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Burke, Saverino, Travis, Olson, Marshall
Nay: None
Absent: None

Resolution No. 2025-07: Closed Session Minutes and Tapes

The Board moved Item 6F to the end of the agenda following Executive Session.

Other Items to be Brought Before the Board

Parks and Facilities Visits Follow Up

Executive Director Potts thanked everyone for their time and feedback on the follow-up survey to the parks and facilities visits on October 11, 2025.

Upcoming Bags Fundraiser

The Bags Tournament Fundraiser held at Chrissy's Bar & Grill on February 3, 2026, will be a competition with the Carol Stream Park District. Competitors from last year's event have first choice to attend again this year.

Village Updates

Executive Director Potts will be speaking with the Village tomorrow about the District's land cash ordinance and the need to serve a substantial population in the former Stratford Mall area. He will also talk with the Township to determine the impact of developer's fees that have been collected so far.

Leslie Park, Accessible Picnic Tables

Discussed were the comments on social media regarding Leslie Park and the need for accessible picnic tables. Comments considered to condone vandalism were flagged.

Staff Reports

The Board thanked staff for work on the Foundation and former employee Sandy Vangundy's bench dedications. Vandalism to the Little Library was discussed along with plans to put a stop to it if it continues. With bids for The Oasis project coming in high, the staff is working on ways to bring costs down. Progress on the Old Town Park project was also discussed.

Executive Session

At 7:12 p.m., Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to enter into Executive Session to conduct the semi-annual review of Executive Session minutes and tapes (5 ILCS, Par. 120/2.06 – Written and Recorded Minutes) and (5 ILCS, Par. 120/2(c)(21) – Closed Session Minutes Review). On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye:	Burke, Olson, Travis, Saverino, Marshall
Nay:	None
Absent:	None

Staff members not attending Executive Session were excused.

Rise from Executive Session, Re-Enter Regular Session

Commissioner Burke moved, seconded by Commissioner Travis, to rise from Executive Session and re-enter Regular Session at 7:17 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye:	Burke, Travis, Olson, Saverino, Marshall
Nay:	None
Absent:	None

Regular Meeting, Resumed

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomingdale Park District Board of Commissioners was called back into session by President Marshall at 7:18 p.m.

Roll Call

In attendance were Commissioners Bryen Travis, Andre Burke, Gerace Olson, Frank Saverino, and Jerry Marshall, along with staff member Jackie Tithof Steere and Executive Director Joe Potts.

The Executive Session was conducted to review Closed Session meeting minutes and tapes.

New Business, Continued

Approval of Resolution No. 2025-07: Closed Session Minutes/Tapes

During Executive Session, the Board discussed the approval and release of new Executive Session minutes from April 21, 2025; the destruction of the March 18, 2024, tape, which was held for the required 18-month period; and the continued retention of Executive Session minutes previously and newly sealed from April 14, 1986; July 14, 1986; August 4-7, 1987; January 20, 1992; January 19, 1998; May 20, 2019; February 15, 2021; May 17, 2021; September 20, 2021; October 18, 2021; May 16, 2022; August 15, 2022; January 23, 2023, and March 18, 2024.

Commissioner Saverino moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to accept the staff recommendation to approve Resolution No. 2025-07: A Resolution Authorizing Release of Certain Closed Session Minutes and Tapes. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Saverino, Olson, Travis, Burke, Marshall
Nay: None
Absent: None

Adjournment

Commissioner Travis moved, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. On roll call vote the motion was approved 5-0.

Aye: Travis, Olson, Burke, Saverino, Marshall
Nay: None
Absent: None

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Potts
Board Secretary

