

Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting
Berwyn Park District
April 15, 2025, at 6pm
Proksa Park Activity Center

The regular monthly meeting of the Berwyn Park District Board of Commissioners was called to order at 6:03pm by President Brock.

Commissioners in attendance: Brian Brock, Ana Espinoza, Gretchen Kostelny, and Zachary Taylor.

Absent: Mario Manfredini

Staff in attendance: Cathy Fallon (Executive Director), and Cindy Hayes (Superintendent of Finance and HR)

Agenda: A motion made by Espinoza seconded by Taylor to approve the agenda as presented. Motion approved.

Minutes: A motion made by Espinoza, seconded by Taylor to approve the minutes from March 18, 2025, Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Claire Clark asked when the vending machines will be set up at Proksa Park.

Correspondence: an email- person stated they did not like the design of a post on Facebook. Commissioner Espinoza asked if Attorney Mike Roth could discuss with the board legal issues and the proper way to respond to the public on social media.

Financial Report: A motion made by Kostelny, seconded by Taylor, to approve April's payables in the amount of \$22,352.60 and March's payroll \$80,988.43 for a total of \$203,341.03. Roll call: Brock- aye, Espinoza- aye, Kostelny-aye, Manfredini- absent, and Taylor- aye. Motion carried. The Schedule of Investments Report was reviewed. The KS State Bank CD matured on March 5th. A CD was purchased from CrossFirst Bank in the amount of \$217,000, at the rate of 4.15%.

Agency Report: The report is in the packet. Currently there are 105 kids registered for spring soccer. Commissioners want to make sure the public is aware of the scholarships available for participants in programs. Asking if a link can be added to RecTrac, to access the information on our website. County Tree service has begun tree trimming and tree removal as per stipulation in the Morton Arboretum Grant.

West Suburban Special Recreation Association (WSSRA): no meeting.

Unfinished Business: A motion was made by Taylor, seconded by Kostelny to adopt the Board Governance Policies Manual as presented. Roll call: Brock- aye, Espinoza- aye, Kostelny-aye, Manfredini- absent, and Taylor- aye. Motion carried.

Park District Foundation- Director Fallon did not receive any questions from the board regarding the set-up of the foundation. This will be a fundraising board. A member will be designated as a liaison from the foundation to the park district. Attorney Mike Roth has prepared documents to start the foundation. This can be further discussed at the next committee meeting.

New Business: Disposal Ordinance 2025-0401- A motion was made by Kostelny, seconded by Espinoza to waive the reading and adopt Disposal Ordinance 2025-0401. Motion carried. Director Fallon discussed

the meeting with Aquascape. Some of the issues with the pond are the existing design, pumps and liner. Commissioner Taylor would like to explore options of in-house renovating and repairing first.

Mowing Bid- The district received three bids for the RFP of the parks. A motion made by Taylor, seconded by Kostelny to reject the bid from LR Landscaping LLC, and Calderon Landscaping & Snow Removal LLC. and accept the bid from Langton Group in the amount of \$39,555. Roll call: Brock- aye, Espinoza- aye, Kostelny-aye, Manfredini- absent, and Taylor- aye. Motion carried.

Commissioners' Comments: Commissioner Espinoza said the district did a nice job on the egg hunt. Commissioner Taylor would like to see the bocci ball courts revamped and a promotional push before removing the courts. Taylor also stated that if the district needs mulch to let him know. He can make a request with a company he deals with. Taylor would like the park department to take a look at Waiola Park in LaGrange. This park is currently undergoing refurbishment. Commissioner Espinoza asked if the district met with Julie Roth regarding the Children's Garden. Director Fallon reported that the district has bought some large planters to help buffer the perimeter of the garden.

Executive Session: a motion made by Kostelny, seconded by Espinoza to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. A motion was made by Kostelny, seconded by Espinoza to go out of closed session. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Espinoza, seconded by Brock to go into open session at 7:38pm.

A motion was made by Brock, seconded by Kostelny to Whereas, pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2.06(d), the Berwyn Park District Board of Commissioners has met and reviewed the minutes of the May 16, 2023 of the Board that are presently closed to the public and the board finds and hereby declares that the closed session minutes cannot be released at this time because it remains necessary to protect the public interest or the privacy of an individual to keep said minutes confidential: May 16, 2023. Roll call: Brock- aye, Espinoza- aye, Kostelny-aye, Manfredini- absent, and Taylor- aye. Motion carried.

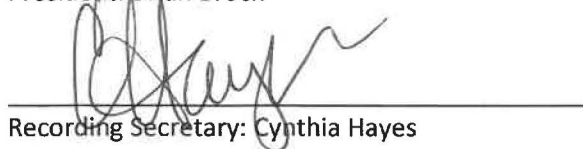
Meeting Dates: May 6th, 2025-Committee Meeting at Freedom Park Administration Building at 4:30pm. May 20th, 2025- Regular Board Meeting at Proksa Park Activity Center at 6pm.

Adjournment: A motion made by Brock, seconded by Kostelny to adjourn at 7:40pm. Motion unanimously carried.

Attested to by:



President: Brian Brock



Recording Secretary: Cynthia Hayes