

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Of the Zion Park District, Lake County, Illinois
Held at the Leisure Center in said District at 7:00pm
On the 30th day of June 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. Commissioners Carlson, Pye, and Fermaint were present. Also, present at the meeting were Executive Director Bradley, Superintendent of Recreation Petersen, Superintendent of Parks Chirchirillo, and Community Relations Wertman.

Guests: Scott Gaunky – Gewalt Hamilton

Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, made a motion to approve the minutes as presented of the Regular meeting held on May 15, 2025, and the minutes of the Personnel and Finance Sub-committee meeting also held on May 15, 2025.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Pye and Fermaint voted aye.
President Fermaint declared the motion carried.

Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, made a motion to approve the agenda as amended to remove the Executive Session.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Pye, and Fermaint voted aye.
President Fermaint declared the motion carried.

There were no reports from the district's attorneys.

Comments from the Commissioners included: Commissioner Fermaint commented on how good the Park District is doing with golf courses, parks and the summer season. He thanked all the employees that are making it happen. Commissioner Carlson commented it's nice to see a local government working effectively and he enjoyed a private rental at the pool last evening.

The district's finances were presented by Executive Director Bradley during the Personnel and Finance sub-committee meeting that was held immediately prior to the board meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye to approve the month's expenditures, as listed, in the amount of \$663,441.20 for the month of May 2025.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Pye, and Fermaint voted aye.
President Fermaint declared the motion carried.

A written report that highlighted the month's activities was submitted to the Board prior to the meeting by Executive Director Bradley. He commented on the summer is in full swing and all departments are very busy with programs, special events and maintaining facilities and parks. A mosaic tile display has been created downstairs at the Leisure Center by Community Relations Manager Wertman to display local art from youth in the community. The July 4th celebration is all set to go. Security, road closure, maintenance, fireworks, food vendors and band are all in place for the event on Friday, July 4th. The City of Zion will contribute \$14,500 to this year's event for the firework display. Also, we received confirmation this week that the Zion Park District has been approved for a \$250,000 park improvement grant from the State of Illinois that was secured by Representative Joyce Mason and Senator Mary Edly-Allen.

New Business:

Discussion of Park Board meeting procedures: President Fermaint discussed he will be sending out information on Robert Rules of Order and how to run a meeting effectively for all the commissioners. Will be working on how to review and update policy for the board moving forward.

An update on David Park construction was presented by Scott Gaunky from Gewalt Hamilton. A motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve the David Park Skate Park design from Spohnranch Skate Parks.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Pye and Fermaint voted aye.

President Fermaint declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve the Master Services Agreement with Gewalt Hamilton to govern engineering, project management, surveying, and other professional services.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Pye and Fermaint voted aye.

President Fermaint declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pye, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, to approve the purchase of a 2025 Ford F250 in the amount of \$55,642.64 through Sourcewell intergovernmental purchasing cooperative as authorized by the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Pye and Fermaint voted aye.

President Fermaint declared the motion carried.

Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #919 – Public Hearing: There were no public comments and after Board discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to close the public hearing for the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance.

Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #919 – a motion was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye, to approve the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance #919 for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Carlson, Pye and Fermaint voted aye.

President Fermaint declared the motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Pye.

Upon a voice vote, Commissioners Carlson, Pye, Fermaint voted aye.

President Fermaint declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm

Kay Petersen
Assistant Secretary