

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE BELLEVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
FEBRUARY 11, 2026

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Belleville Parks and Recreation Department was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Ms. Marge Belt.

Roll Call Board Members (Alphabetical Order) Ms. Marge Belt, Mr. Brennan Hartin, Mr. Mike Heisler, Ms. Sarah Lanxon Mr. Scott Lanxon.

Roll Call Staff Members (Alphabetical Order) Mrs. Gina Hartin, Mr. Logan Henry, Mr. Craig Maue, Mr. Jason Poole, Mrs. Emily Riedinger.

Previous Minutes

Ms. Belt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes for the January 14, 2026 meeting. Mr. Heisler made a motion that the minutes be placed on file; the motion was seconded by Ms. Lanxon. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

Introduction of Guests and Public Participation

None.

Correspondence

None.

Claims

Mr. Heisler made a motion that the claims for the month of January 2026 be paid, the motion was seconded by Mr. Hartin. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Summary of Fund Balances

Mr. Heisler made a motion to have the finance reports for the month of February 2026 placed on file, the motion was seconded by Mr. Lanxon. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Bids

None.

Recreation Supervisor – Mr. Logan Henry

Mr. Logan informed the board members that the Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> Daddy Daughter Dance enrollment is currently at 240 participants and on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> currently 303 participants are enrolled. Mr. Henry stated that the TuTu Fun Run to be held on February 22<sup>nd</sup> currently has 74 participants enrolled.

Recreation Supervisor – Mrs. Gina Hartin

Mrs. Hartin informed the board members that baseball and adult softball registration is slowly beginning to come in. Mrs. Hartin informed the board members that there is now a high school flag football league being offered in conjunction with Champion Sports Academy. Mrs. Hartin stated that the hope is to get some of the high school teams to participate. Mrs. Hartin stated the Pee Wee Picklers program began last week and it is very cute. Mrs. Hartin stated the Pickleball program is still very popular and the Monday spring league opened for registration at 8:00a.m. and was filled within the first hour. Mrs. Hartin stated the Thursday night league enrollments will open tomorrow and expectations are it will fill quickly also.

Assistant Director of Recreation

Mrs. Riedinger informed the board members that January 23<sup>rd</sup> was discount day, and the department brought in just under \$70,000.00 with program registrations.

Mrs. Riedinger informed the board members that the proceeds from the 2025 Gingerbread Run were set to be used for a new playground element at the Nichols Community Center. Mrs. Riedinger provided the board members with pictures of the proposed piece. Mrs. Riedinger stated the goal is to have the piece installed in May prior to the start of Camp Rec.

Mrs. Riedinger informed the board members that she and Mrs. Hartin attended the Illinois Park and Recreation Association Conference in January. Mrs. Riedinger stated this is where all Parks and Recreation Departments in Illinois meet in Chicago every year. Mrs. Riedinger stated they discovered a lot of new ideas that they plan on bringing to the department.

Assistant Director of Public Works

Mr. Maue informed the board members that the parks maintenance department was kept busy with the snowstorm that came through. Mr. Maue stated that they also worked on some picnic tables during the cold weather and are now working on trimming bushes in parking lots around town. Mr. Maue stated they plan on working on the pads for the disc golf course soon. Mr. Lanxon asked if the bicycle/walking path have ever been plowed after snow events. Mr. Poole and Mr. Maue stated it has never been done in the past. Discussion was held regarding plowing the paths. Mr. Poole stated to do so it would require some type of special equipment to be purchased but could possibly be considered in the future.

Director of Public Works

Mr. Poole informed the board members that the OSLAD Grant for campus improvements including converting the tennis courts to pickleball courts, resurfacing lighting and playground addition was denied. Discussion was held on the grant application and denial.

Mr. Poole stated the playground for Laderman that was from the DCEO Grant has been shipped. Mr. Poole stated that there was an issue with one crate received was for another community, but the error is being corrected. Mr. Poole stated he is working on a contractor to install the playground, and it will be bid. Mr. Poole stated the expected installation will be the later part of spring or early summer.

Mr. Poole informed the board members that the City of Belleville will be having a parade for the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration. The parade will be held on June 27, 2026. Mr. Poole stated they are discussing starting the parade at 6<sup>th</sup> Street and ending at the Campus. Mr. Poole stated a drone show is also being discussed for the event. Mr. Poole stated there is a Freedom Fest that is also being held on the Campus the evening of June 26<sup>th</sup> and June 27<sup>th</sup>.

Additional New Business

None.

Old Business

None.

Executive Session

None.

Questions From the Floor

None.

Adjournment

Hearing no further New Business, Old Business or Questions from the Floor. Mr. Lanxon moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Lanxon. All members voted aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,  
Michelle Henke, Office Manager  
Belleville Parks & Recreation Department

Date Approved: 3/11/20

M. Marge Belt  
Ms. Marge Belt  
President of the Board

Jason Poole  
Mr. Jason Poole  
Director of Public Works