



Board of Commissioners
Business Committee Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2026

The Business Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on June 3, 2026, at the Administration Center, 737 W. Exchange Street, Crete, Illinois.

Commissioners Present: Jennifer Smith and Bill Smigel

Others Present: Andy Biesterfeld, Executive Director

The committee reviewed the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance

Bond Issue

- We approved the capability of issuing up to \$1.3M in bonds last year and will be looking to issue about another \$388,000 before the end of the calendar year.
- The issue will help complete Phase I of the Lincolnshire Park Project.

Capital Plan

- The planning for Phase I of the Lincolnshire Park Improvements has started.
- I am continuing to gather information on Swiss Valley improvements including fence replacement around the tennis courts and entry modifications to the park.
- Improvements to the WWPC are being researched.
- ADA Improvements are being researched.
- Additional lock software will be installed at Heritage Park during the summer/fall.

Personnel

- Mid-point staff reviews will take place in July.
- During our hiring processes we have been implementing the compensation strategy, and it has been serving us well.

New Business

- We briefly discussed the potential revenue stream increase options for continued discussion on the park system replacement and maintenance feasibility. This included referendum for increased tax base and/or capital projects and potential recreation program/rental fees.
- Annexations are being reviewed.
- Budget preparation will begin for the 2027-2028 FY as summer programs wind down and data is available to start building a draft of the budget.
- To gather more information from the public, the Director will have monthly coffee hours with residents to discuss the strategic plan and other issues that may be brought up.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Submitted by:
Andy Biesterfeld,
Executive Director

Smith
President

Kelly A. Hembert Hall
Secretary

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Date Approved