



Board of Commissioners
Business Committee Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2026

The Business Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. on October 7, 2026, at the Administration Center, 737 W. Exchange Street, Crete, Illinois.

Commissioners Present: Jennifer Smith and Bill Smigel

Others Present: Andy Biesterfeld, Executive Director

Bond Issue

- A two-year bond will be on the agenda for the November meeting of approximately \$390,000
- The issue will help complete Phase I of the Lincolnshire Park Project, cosmetic upgrades to the WWPC, and various other needed improvements around the District.

Capital Plan

- The repairs and cosmetic improvements to the Willard Wood Park Center are the highest priority.
- The planning for Phase I of the Lincolnshire Park Improvements is nearly complete and will be ready for a late winter bid process.
- A plan is being developed to lay out the financial impacts for playground/park upgrades and connectivity.

Personnel

- 3rd Quarter staff reviews will be completed by the end of the month.
- A plan is being developed to attract qualified candidates for the Park Manager position to be posted shortly after the new year.

New Business

- We discussed a plan to provide reserves for the various funds.
- The 27/28 Budget planning has begun.
- A comparison study is being done between other districts regarding their tax allocation ratios and the percentage of user fees that fund recreation activities through the recreation fund.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Submitted by:
Andy Biesterfeld,
Executive Director

J. Smith
President

Kelly Haupt
Secretary

10/21/26
Date Approved