

Morton Grove Park District

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**Minutes of the 894th Board Meeting
June 17, 2026
Held at Prairie View Community Center**

I. Call meeting to order: The regular board meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Commissioners Present: Paul Minx, Bill Polyak, Kelly Russell, and John Liston.

Commissioners Absent: Lisa Rathunde with notice.

Staff Present: Jeffrey Wait, Executive Director; Sue Braubach, Superintendent of Recreation; Martin O’Brien, Superintendent of Finance; Patrick Manieri, Superintendent of Parks and Maintenance; Claire Baumgartner, Recreation Supervisor; and Luisa Brown, Recording Secretary.

Residents Present: Marilyn Koss, Linda Nelson, Colleen Nelson

Attorney Present: None

II. Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. Additions/Changes to the Agenda: None

IV. Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items/Correspondence: None

V. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Russell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Polyak, to approve:

- a. The minutes from the Board Meeting held on May 20, 2026.
- b. The Financial Reports:
 1. The Cash Summary and Revenue and Expenditure Report dated May 31, 2026.
 2. The Invoice Distribution Report for the period ending May 31, 2026, in the amount of \$872,587.66.
 3. Monthly Budget to Actual report dated May 31, 2026.
 4. Card Service Report dated May 31, 2026.

Ayes: Commissioner Minx, Polyak, Russell, and Liston. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

VI. Director’s Report: Director Wait announced that on June 18th, the Morton Grove Pride Committee will be hosting the “Pride in the Park” event at Harrer Park between 5 pm and 8 pm. Wait stated that Morton Grove Days will be July 2nd through July 5th. Volunteers for this event are still needed. If interested, please visit mortongrovedays.org. Lastly, Wait reminded the Board that the dedication of National Park will be held Saturday, June 27th, at 10 am.

VII. Attorney’s Report: Was sent electronically earlier in the week.

VIII. Village Liaison Report: None

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- IX. Department Heads' Report:** Superintendent O'Brien stated that the finance department is completing its financial statements for 2025 and will be closing that year out. O'Brien also mentioned that IMRF has sent 2025 revisions, which the finance department is currently reviewing.

Superintendent Braubach stated that Harrer and Oriole pools are now open. Ellis has audited the pools, and both Harrer and Oriole got a score of "succeeds". Braubach mentioned that there are currently three adult softball leagues this summer, and gymnastics will be continuing this summer and fall. Braubach mentioned that on June 1st, dance classes started.

Superintendent Manieri introduced himself as the new Superintendent of Parks and Maintenance. Manieri stated he has been visiting and becoming familiar with the parks and has identified areas that need improvement. Manieri mentioned that the maintenance department has been checking and cleaning the pools daily, as well as doing clean-up from the recent storms.

X. New Business:

a. Administration and Finance Committee – Commissioner Russell, Chair

Post-Issuance Tax Compliance Report– Resolution #R-04-26 approval: Commissioner Russell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Polyak, to approve resolution #R-04-26, stating that the district is compliant with the applicable tax law requirements.

Ayes: Commissioners Liston, Minx, Polyak, and Russell. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

2025 Receipts and Disbursement Report Resolution #R-06-26 approval:

Commissioner Russell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Polyak, to approve resolution #R-06-26 for the Morton Grove Park District Receipts and Disbursements Report for the year ending December 31, 2025.

Ayes: Commissioners Polyak, Minx, Liston, and Russell. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Resolution #R-05-26 approval: Commissioner Russell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Minx, to approve resolution #R-05-26. The resolution honored Sue Braubach for her many years of service to Morton Grove Park District.

Ayes: Commissioners Minx, Russell, Polyak, and Liston. Nays: 0. Motion carried

XI. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: None

XII. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Minx: Congratulated Superintendent Braubach on her retirement and that she will be missed. Minx also welcomed Superintendent Manieri.

Commissioner Polyak: Congratulated Superintendent Braubach on her retirement and that he is excited to have recreation supervisor Baumgartner step into that role. Polyak also welcomed Superintendent Manieri.

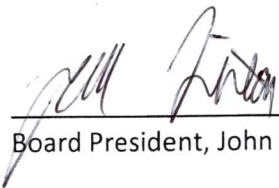
Commissioner Russell: Congratulated Superintendent Braubach on her retirement and that she will be greatly missed. Russell also told recreation supervisor Baumgartner that she will do a great job as she steps into that role. Russell also welcomed Superintendent Manieri.

Commissioner Liston: Echoed all the other Commissioners' comments. Liston welcomed Superintendent Manieri. Liston also mentioned that he got a lot of positive comments regarding the concert in the park series.

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XIII. **Adjournment:** Commissioner Russell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Polyak, to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was carried by voice vote.

The meeting ended at approximately 7:00 pm.


Board President, John Liston


Board Secretary, Jeffrey Wait