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**NILES PARK DISTRICT**  
Minutes of Board Meeting  
Monday, March 16, 2026  
6:00 pm

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Board Members present: Jim Hynes, President  
Ronnie Strzelecki, Vice President  
Julie Genualdi, Treasurer  
Scott O'Brien, Commissioner

Staff Members present: Tom Elenz, Executive Director  
Heather Petrie, Executive Admin. Coordinator  
Scot Neukirch, Finance Director  
Robin Brey, Recreation Programs  
Jackson Theil, Tam Tennis Manager  
Jim Majewski, Facilities Superintendent  
Marty Stankowicz, IceLand Manager  
Chris Czajka, Grounds Superintendent  
Kenny Krueger, Athletic Director  
Julie Jentel, Marketing  
Peter Dubs, Golf Course Club House  
Eric Aguayo, Golf Course Superintendent

Dan Shapiro, Attorney

1. **Call to order**  
President Hynes called the regular board meeting to order on Monday, March 16, at 6:00 pm.
2. **Roll Call**  
Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll. Commissioner LoVerde was absent.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**  
President Hynes led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance.
4. **Changes to the Agenda**  
There were no changes to the agenda.
5. **Consent Agenda Approval**  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, February 17, 2026; and Voucher List as presented February 28, 2026 – summary by fund:

General Fund	\$104,017.92
Recreation	\$258,911.95
Ice Rink	\$27,291.32
Swimming Pool	\$2,845.40
Golf Course	\$49,353.08
IMRF	-
Debt Service Fund	-
General Liability	\$10,533.50
Paving & Lighting	\$572.30

Police Protection	\$348.00
Handicapped	\$67,809.00
Capital	\$38,720.00
Audit	\$6,250.00
Grand Total	\$596,652.47

A motion was made by Treasurer Genualdi and seconded by President Hynes to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, February 17, 2026; and the voucher list as presented, February 28, 2026 – summary by fund. Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
Vice President Strzelecki	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 4 – 0.

**6. Treasurer's Reports**

Treasurer Genualdi read the treasurer's report for the month ending February 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Brien and seconded by President Hynes to accept the February 2026 treasurer's report. Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
Vice President Strzelecki	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 4 – 0.

**7. Reports of Park Officials**

**A. President's Report**

There was no President's report.

**B. Attorney's Report**

There was no Attorney's report.

**8. Board Reports**

**Robin Brey, Programs Supervisor**

- Spring Break camp half and full day options will be held next week for ages 3-6 at Howard Leisure Center.
- Spring Special Events
- Bunny Breakfast 3/21, Egg Scramble 3/28 and Flashlight Egg Hunt on the golf course 4/1.
- Pioneer Park will open April 11<sup>th</sup> weather permitting. Staff training is underway and ready for the upcoming season.
- Pool Passes will be available for purchase April 1<sup>st</sup>. Pass holders are able to enter the pool one hour earlier than the public.

**Jackson Theil, Tam Tennis**

- Classes are almost done. We are having our class signups on Saturday.
- Budget o Revenue increase is up \$12,679 compared to last year.
- Revenue Increase from 2025 o Private Lessons: \$2,877 o Court Fees: \$15,266
- Junior Programs: Classes are done at the end of the month. We are having our class signups on Saturday.
- Adults Programs: Classes are done at the end of the month. We are having our class signups on Saturday.
- Private Lessons continue to be very popular with it being cold outside.
- Memberships continue to be popular and we will have more signups once class signups happen.
- Fitness Programs: I have ordered the new treadmill and lat pulldown machines. They will arrive in about 4-5 weeks. They will remove the old machines as well.

**Jim Majewski, Facilities Superintendent**

- New LED lights were installed in the golf cart storage garage through the Com Ed instant rebate program
- New serving windows will be installed at Pioneer concession
- A new batting cage net is scheduled to be installed at the end of this month
- The wind screens were installed at Golf Mill tennis / pickleball courts
- Bid packets are out for repaving the road into Pioneer Park

**Marty Stankowicz, IceLand**

- The outdoor rink was shut down on March 5<sup>th</sup>. This is the same date as last year's shut down. All rentals were completed except for one hour and it was moved to the indoor rink.
- Spring hockey team evaluations are scheduled for next week. Currently we have 119 players registered. That is 7 less than last year but registration is still open.
- Ice show rehearsals and set design started last week. This year's show is scheduled for May 1-3.
- Bunny Hop skate is scheduled for April 4th.
- Planning field trips and hiring for summer camp counselors continue.

**Chris Czajka, Superintendent of Grounds**

- Reinstalled Washington, Greenwood and Oakton manor park signs to parks
- Finished installing new ceiling tiles in our shop offices, locker room and lunchroom
- Finishing up price quotes for mulch installation in our playgrounds
- Finalized pricing for weed control in our parks for this season
- All retaining walls around at pioneer have been repaired
- New wind screens have been installed at Kirk Lane pickleball courts
- Paint has been ordered and delivered to the shop for this years lining of athletic fields
- Prepping and starting to turn on drinking fountains in our parks
- Our mechanic is continuing to work on all our equipment and Eric's for this upcoming season
- Cleaning up and reorganizing our back yard
- Playground inspections and repairs

**Scot Neukirch, Finance Director**

**Julie Jentel, Marketing**

- Marketing for all the upcoming spring programs and special events is well underway. There are a large number of spring programs & events, so I am making sure they all get promoted efficiently.
- Summer Fun Guide is being designed now and will be posted early April.
- The Camp Guide is almost complete and will be ready for March registration. Copies will be printed and on our website.

**Kenny Krueger, Athletic Director**

- All our major winter leagues are up and running smoothly. While most of our focus has been on youth programming, we do have adult programs on the horizon.
- Our adult basketball leagues start playing on Wednesday nights starting Feb. 25.
- Adult Co-ed Volleyball will begin early next month on Thursdays.
- We added another round of pickleball lesson on Wednesday afternoons.
- Adult softball marketing is underway for leagues beginning at Pioneer in April. Spring sport planning is going into full effect.
- Soccer will be the main league to tackle now that we'll have full access to GMP, Oak Park and Iceland to use for leagues whereas last spring we did not have any of the three while renovations were ongoing.
- We have a brand-new girls only flag football league taking place on Sundays that already has enough girls registered to move forward.
- Baseball and Softball meetings are getting scheduled as we work with many other surrounding communities to make the leagues happen. We have a new coach platform (Ankored) set to launch next month and we're looking for some feedback on coach appreciation gestures or incentives. We've tossed around free enrolment for coach kids, discounted enrollment fees and open play passes.

**Peter Dubs, Golf Course Club House**

- The hard copy of our 2026 Golf Guide has been printed and distributed to various park district facilities. Our website has also been updated with our full calendar of 2026 programming for juniors and adults.
- Administrative work continues to complete pre-season hiring, restocking of pro-shop inventory and submitting staff uniform orders.
- Our annual pre-season staff meeting will be held in early March so we're ready to go once the weather allows.
- Instructional programming begins at the learning center for the season the first week or March.
- Leagues and permanent tee times are in the process of getting their numbers together for the season. It's still early and they don't need to officially submit their info until next month, but we have heard back from a number of groups and there's nothing yet that would suggest any sort of major drop in participation.

**Eric Aguayo, Golf Course Maintenance**

- We are still in winter maintenance mode continuing service on all our carts/ equipment.
- Our pump manifold pipes came back from reconstruction repair and were installed on our pump station. The submerged Jockey pump will be replaced in the following weeks and reassembled to complete the pump station repair.

- Necessary tree work was done around #3 and #6 greens. This will improve the health and growing conditions of those greens. We are scouting for any other necessary tree maintenance or hazards that may need to be addressed before we open to avoid any safety issues for the public.
- Continuing to plan and order course supplies for the upcoming season.

**9. New Business**

**A. Discussion/Approval of a contract with Reinder for the purchase of a Greensmaster Green Triplex**

This is a mower for the golf course greens. The current mower is ten years old. These mowers come with additional groomers for a smoother cut.

A motion was made by Treasurer Genualdi and seconded by President Hynes to approve the contract with Reinder for the purchase of a 14 blade, Greenmaster 3320 Green Triplex mower totaling \$63,810.30. Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 3 – 0.

**B. Discussion/Approval of a contract with Reinder for the purchase of a Greenmaster Tree Triplex**

Staff is asking the Board to approve the purchase of an 8 blade, Greenmaster Tree Triplex mower totaling \$54,164.45.

A motion was made by Treasurer Genualdi and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to approve the contract with Reinder for the purchase of a Greenmaster 3320 Tree Triplex mower for the tee boxes totaling \$54,164.45. Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 3 – 0.

**C. Discussion/Approval of a contract with Reinder for the purchase of a ProCore Aerator**

Staff is asking the Board to approve this purchase to replace the 2005 version the Park District has currently.

A motion was made by Treasurer Genualdi and seconded by President Hynes to approve the contract with Reinder to purchase the ProCore Aerator in the amount of \$40,458.00. Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 3 – 0.

**D. Discussion/Approval of a contract with Parkreation for a Bandshell Shelter for Oak Park**

Once the Park District approves and purchases the Bandshell, Wight will begin the drawings to submit for permitting. Then the Park District will go out to bid for the installation and bring that back to the Board for approval.

A motion was made by President Hynes and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to approve a contract with Parkreation for a Bandshell Shelter at Oak Park in the amount of \$52,234.00.

Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 3 – 0.

**E. Discussion/Approval of a contract with Burris Equipment for a field groomer**

The Park District currently has a 9-year-old field groomer that this would potentially replace.

A motion was made by President Hynes and seconded by Treasurer Genualdi to approve a contract with Burris Equipment for the purchase of a Sandstar field groomer in the amount of \$28,665.00. Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 3 – 0.

**F. Discussion/Approval of a contract with Burris Equipment for a woodchipper**

The Park District's current woodchipper is very old and needs to be replaced.

A motion was made by President Hynes and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to approve a contract with Burris Equipment for the purchase of the Intimidator 12XC woodchipper in the amount of \$35,330. Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 3 – 0.

**10. Old Business**

The berm was removed at Golf Mill Park. Once the weather improves the sidewalk will get finished and more irrigation will be added. The hope is that everything will be finished by April.

**11. Miscellaneous**

The Board was reminded that the Liponi Gala will be held on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>.

**12. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

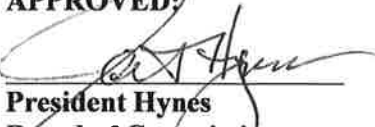
13. **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Treasurer Genualdi and seconded by President Hynes to adjourn the regular board meeting. Recording Secretary Petrie called the roll:

Commissioner O'Brien	Yes
Treasurer Genualdi	Yes
President Hynes	Yes

The motion passed 3 – 0.

**APPROVED:**

  
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President Hynes  
Board of Commissioners  
Date: March 16, 2026

  
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Board Secretary

