

**Burr Ridge Park District
Regular Meeting
September 14, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Burr Ridge Park District was called to order at the Burr Ridge Community Center at 6:33pm by President Quigley.

Present:	Caplis, Lawrence, Paulius, Quigley
Absent:	Malloy
Also Present:	Jim Pacanowski, Director of Parks and Recreation Jamie Janusz, Superintendent of Finance

APPROVE

Approve September 14, 2026 Agenda

No changes were made to the Agenda.

Approve August 10, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

Lawrence moved to approve the August 10, 2026 regular meeting minutes, second by Paulius and approved by roll call vote. Quigley brought up a correction for the Meeting Adjournment. The correction should say Caplis moved to adjourn the August 10, 2026 meeting and not Quigley.

Ayes: Caplis, Lawrence, Paulius, Quigley	Nays: None	Abstain: None
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OPEN FORUM

No Open Forum

CORRESPONDENCE

In addition to the written report and correspondence regarding the Patricia Kladis-Schiappa Event, Pacanowski stated that the matter is closed. There will be a future review and discussion of any additional language needed to current policies. Caplis mentioned a case of DeBoer vs Village of Oak Park from 2001 to be referenced for policy updates.

A second written correspondence was brought to the Board's attention regarding Park District's programming and outreach. Pacanowski reached out to the resident but did not receive a

response back. The board members spoke positively regarding the available fall programs. Paulius suggested sending the seasonal brochures out earlier to the public. Pacanowski agreed and stated that is the Park District's goal. He will follow up with the resident to let her know her concerns were brought up to the Board.

REPORTS

Director of Parks and Recreation

In addition to the written report, Pacanowski indicated the Village of Burr Ridge is still working on details and final approvals for the Com Ed Culvert repairs.

Pacanowski noted that the dry sprinkler replacement project began this week. The upstairs portion of the project will begin October 1. It is expected to be finished in about a month.

Pacanowski stated the playground rubber replacement and the wetland dock projects are completed.

Superintendent of Finance

In addition to the written report, Janusz mentioned the Pedal the Parks Event was a success with plans to bring back the same entertainment and ice cream sponsorship. Janusz stated that Buona Beef donated \$1,000 and Rainbow Cone donated 120 ice cream cones for the event participants.

Janusz stated the Park District received \$47,456.40 from the Village of Burr Ridge. It was the result of a recently discovered oversight by the Village of a developer donation from 2018.

Recreation Division

In addition to the written report, Pacanowski reviewed the Recreation Division Report with the Board. Caplis brought up a discussion on Halloween Events being held at Gower, the Park District and surrounding communities. Points were then raised regarding Harvest Fest and his interest in holding this event once again. It was agreed that full data will be collected and presented so that the Board can engage in a comprehensive discussion regarding this event potential in 2027, no later than the February 2027 board meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Village of Burr Ridge Developer Donation Ordinance

In addition to the written report, Pacanowski reviewed his phone call with Evan Walter from the Village of Burr Ridge regarding the value of the Developer Donation. The Village requested a letter of inquiry from the Board President which was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Harvester Highway Interpretive Experience Project

In addition to the written report, Pacanowski reviewed the Harvester Highway Interpretive Experience Project. There was a discussion of his research, budgets, the layout and statues to be placed at the site. Pacanowski stated he will meet with the Foundation on Monday to discuss and show them the details of the project. The Board members were in consensus to move forward with this project as presented.

Preliminary Woods Pool 2026 Operating Financial Report

Pacanowski reviewed and discussed the written summary of the Woods Pool Operations Preliminary Financial Summary for 2026. Pool daily attendance and pool rentals were affected by the weather. Caplis asked if canceled pool rentals could utilize space at the Community Center. Pacanowski stated it could be considered. Additionally, Pacanowski informed the board that water use fell to 262,645 gallons as a result of repairs and other minor plumbing adjustments, bringing Woods pool within market estimates of water use for a similar sized pool. Pacanowski pointed out the final operational deficit of \$6510 with a potential to reduce the number for 2027. The 2027 preliminary pool budget will be presented for review at the October Board Meeting.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Caplis asked if the Conway Law Firm invoice was for the Com Ed Culvert and Pacanowski stated yes.

Caplis requested information regarding the Fitness Core welding. Pacanowski informed the Board it was for a repair of the cross-country ski unit.

Caplis asked if the Frank's Tree Service invoice was part of the past summer storm insurance claim. Pacanowski stated insurance is not covering trees not planted by the park district. The majority of the trees damaged in the storm were not planted by the Park District and were older than 50 years.

Caplis inquired about a floral piece order. Janusz confirmed it was a sympathy arrangement for former Burr Ridge Mayor Bud Coglianesi Jr. sent on behalf of the Park District.

Lawrence requested information on the time period for the \$1400 health insurance reimbursement. Janusz stated the insurance calendar year runs January to December and the Park District's fiscal year is May to April. Janusz explained that employees are able to submit medical receipts for reimbursement within the fiscal year. Additionally, Janusz provided a summary of copays, deductibles and reimbursement expenses. Pacanowski informed the Board that the topic of insurance will be on the October Board Meeting agenda for a more detailed discussion.

Lawrence moved to approve the September 14, 2026 bills, second by Caplis, and approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Caplis, Lawrence, Paulius, Quigley Nays: None Abstain: None

ADJOURNMENT

Lawrence moved to adjourn, seconded by Paulius and unanimously approved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Loren Mokrzycki
Recording Secretary