

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OAK LAWN PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON JULY 13, 2026**

The Board of Commissioners of the Oak Lawn Park District was convened in a Regular Meeting on July 13, 2026 at 7:00 pm with President Mottl presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Buschbach, Donahue, Stalker, Zumhagen and Mottl
A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of June 8, 2026

Zumhagen moved, Stalker seconded to approve.

Voting: Aye: Buschbach, Stalker, Zumhagen, and Mottl
Abstain: Donahue
Nay: None

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD/CORRESPONDENCE:

Oak Lawn Parks Foundation

Steve Loulousis, Chairman of the Oak Lawn Parks Foundation, presented a donation check to the district in the amount of \$2,000.

NEW BUSINESS: None

FINANCE REPORT:

Stalker moved, Zumhagen seconded to approve the payables of \$997,625.98 for the period of June 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution of Authorization OSLAD Grant – Patrick Sullivan Park

Donahue moved, Stalker seconded to approve the Resolution for the Patrick Sullivan Park OSLAD Grant.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

LEGAL: None

APPROVAL OF BIDS OVER \$30,000:

Mechanical Replacements – Oak View Center and Central Pool

On July 7, 2026, the district received seven bids for the Oak View Theater Rooftop Unit Replacement and Central Pool Filter Building Exhaust System Upgrade Project. After reviewing the bids, DLA Architects determined that F.E. Moran, Inc. is the lowest qualified bidder. DLA recommends awarding the contract for the Base Bid and Alternate #1 in the total amount of \$289,825. The proposed costs are consistent with recent comparable projects and align with the pre-bid cost estimates. Staff has reviewed the recommendations and agree with DLA's evaluation.

Staff recommends approval of the bid to F.E. Moran, Inc. in the amount of \$289,825, which includes the Base Bid and Alternate #1.

Zumhagen moved, Buschbach seconded to approve F.E. Morgan, Inc.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

MATTERS OF THE DIRECTOR:

Hartwig wished everyone a happy 4th of July and recognized the 250th anniversary of the United States.

Hartwig discussed the district's Movies in the Park, noting that Oak Lawn resident Adrian Pawluk donated the use of his portable LED screen for the first movie at no cost to the district. He reported that the event was well attended and received positive feedback from the community. The only suggested improvement for future events is the use of a larger screen. He added that the picture quality was excellent and that the district is exploring the possibility of purchasing its own LED screen.

Hartwig also shared that Pawluk will be replacing the water wall at the Pavilion with an LED screen display.

Hartwig thanked Ryan Gory and the Maintenance Department for their hard work during the 4th of July holiday. He noted that the maintenance staff cleaned the parks throughout the day, worked during the evening fireworks display, remained afterward to assist with cleanup, and returned the following day to complete additional cleanup efforts. He stated that this year's fireworks display was excellent, although fog impacted visibility during portions of the 24 minute show.

Hartwig encouraged residents to purchase tickets for the Theatre production of Grease, noting that ticket sales have been strong and that an additional performance has already been added due to demand.

Hartwig provided an update on the Racquet Center renovation project, reporting that staff have temporarily relocated to the Maintenance facility while construction is underway. He stated that the project is progressing well and remains on schedule at this time.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Mottl shared that her children have been enjoying their camps this summer. She noted that her son has especially enjoyed Sports Camp and has developed a great relationship with his counselor, who shares his enthusiasm for soccer. She added that her son has made new friends at camp and stays connected with them outside of camp by FaceTiming after the camp day ends. Mottl also shared that her daughters have been enjoying Day Camp at Oak View. She mentioned that her seven-year-old recently lost a tooth while at camp and was very excited about the experience.

Mottl stated that she attended the 4th of July fireworks display and commented on the impressive size of the fireworks. She noted that she heard many compliments from residents about the quality of the show.

Mottl also shared that her son participated in the Inter FC Soccer program, which concluded that day. She stated that he thoroughly enjoyed the program and that it was his first time participating in it.

MATTERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS:

Donahue stated that he is pleased to see the renovations at the Racquet Center progressing and noted that the improvements are long overdue.

Donahue shared that the golf course and aquatic facilities are in full swing for the summer season and that he has received positive feedback from residents regarding both.

Donahue thanked staff and volunteers for their hard work throughout the summer and encouraged them to continue their outstanding efforts.

Buschbach stated that he watched the fireworks display from his home and commented that it was an excellent show. He noted that the large crowd in attendance was likely due to many surrounding communities canceling their fireworks displays because of the weather.

Buschbach also shared that he has already purchased his tickets for the Theatre production of Grease and is looking forward to attending the performance later this month.

Stalker thanked the Maintenance Department for their efforts in cleaning up the storm damage from last month. She noted that there was a significant amount of work to be done throughout the parks and commended the staff for their outstanding job in responding quickly and completing the cleanup efficiently.

Stalker stated that although she was unable to attend the fireworks display, her brother and his family visited from Indiana and attended the event. She shared that they spoke very highly of the fireworks show and that her niece especially enjoyed the display.

Zumhagen shared that she recently hosted a graduation party at Stony Creek Golf Course. She stated that it was a perfect evening and thanked Chris Dunne for his outstanding assistance in helping make the event a success.

Zumhagen also stated that she attended the Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing at Stony Creek and commented on how great it was to see the golf course busy and active with patrons.

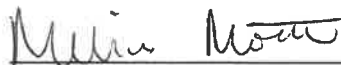
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ADJOURNMENT:

Stalker moved, Zumhagen seconded to adjourn at 7:21 p.m.

Voting: Aye: All
Nay: None

Respectfully submitted,



Melissa Mottl, President



Shannon Nolan, Recording Secretary