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MINUTES OF THE BISMARCK BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

July 16, 2026

The Board of Park Commissioners held their regular meeting on July 16, 2026, in the Tom Baker meeting room of the City/County Building. Vice President Jeske called the meeting to order at 5:15pm. The pledge of allegiance was said. Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, and Redmann were present.

Commissioner Gilbertson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Redmann seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and Vice President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Redmann moved to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners Sine Die for the purpose of seating the new commissioners and electing a president.

Commissioner Gilbertson seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and Vice President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Legal Counsel John Ward had Commissioners-Elect Hanson, Gilbertson, and Jeske recite the oath of office.

Legal Counsel then asked for nominations for Park Board President. Commissioner Gilbertson moved to nominate Vice President Jeske. Commissioner Redmann seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

The meeting was reconvened.

Commissioner Redmann moved to nominate Commissioner Gilbertson as Vice President. Commissioner Hanson seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Gilbertson moved to appoint Evenson Sanderson Attorneys as legal counsel for the District. Commissioner Redmann seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner portfolios were discussed. President Jeske will have Administration, Commissioners Redmann and Hanson will be on Operations, and Commissioners Herzog and Gilbertson will be on Facilities and Programs. The committee and liaison assignments will be

addressed at the August Board meeting after staff have additional time to review possible reorganization of those commitments.

Shade Tree Players president Brian Nelson appeared before the Board as the Featured Partner and Program, as did Bismarck Horse Club president Steven Krentz.

Brett Donat from EAPC reviewed the bid received for the Bismarck Municipal Ballpark netting project. Commissioner Gilbertson moved to reject the bid received from Park and Play USA for the netting project due to the price, and authorized staff to re-evaluate the project.

Commissioner Herzog seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Facilities and Programs Director Mike Wald reviewed the bid received to operate concessions at the Capital Ice Complex. Commissioner Gilbertson moved to accept the bid of 18% of sales (after state and local taxes) provided by the Bismarck Hockey Boosters, along with the proposed operating agreement. Commissioner Hanson seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Finance Director Kathy Feist addressed the Board regarding the proposed 2027 operating budget. Commissioner Gilbertson moved to approve the introduction of the 2027 operating budget as presented. Commissioner Herzog seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Gilbertson moved to approve the 2027 budget resolution. Commissioner Redmann seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Redmann moved to approve the preliminary budget statement for 2027 and set the public hearing for September 17, 2026, at 5:15 pm. Commissioner Herzog seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Redmann approved the following items on the consent agenda:

- a. Consideration of June 18 and June 25, 2026, Park Board meeting minutes.
- b. Authorization to request qualifications for engineering, architect, and planning services.

Commissioner Gilbertson seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Gilbertson moved to approve bills for payment with checks 408435 to 408482, 221866 to 222108, along with bank drafts DFT001761 to DFT001774, EFTs 3965 to 4004, and direct deposits 100549 to 101916. Commissioner Redmann seconded the motion, and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Hanson, Herzog, Redmann, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

The Board of Park Commissioners will have an orientation session on July 20, 2026, at 3:30pm at the Park District Administrative Office. The next regular Board meeting will be August 20, 2026, at 5:15pm in the Tom Baker Meeting Room. The meeting was adjourned at 6:21pm.