Clark County Park District
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
January 15, 2026
6:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order-**
2. **Roll Call-**
    a. Commissioners in attendance, Norton, Gibson, Smith, Higgins, Richards, Ewing. Also in attendance Executive Director Jeff Tippett and bookkeeper Kayla Higgins.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance-**
4. **Approval of Agenda-**
    a. Ewing asks for motion to approve agenda as presented, Norton made a motion, Higgins seconded.
    6 ayes 0 nays
5. **Approval Minutes-** 11/20/25 and 12/18/2025
    a. Ewing asks for motion to approve minutes dated 11/20/25 & 12/18/25, Norton made motion to approve, Gibson seconded the motion.
    6 ayes 0 nays
6. **Public Comment-** none**.**
7. **Director's Report-**
    a. Ordered new radio replacement for the one that was fried up by lightning. Given old power source so we could have radios, bring everything to replace antenna if that is what is needed. Took inventory of all cabins and what is needed to get done. Kennedy houseboat was removed and is now in storage. Paid storage/fines. B-section all wire is in the ground, all pedestals. Moved a couple of spigots back of the campsites. Ener star will come hook us back up to service panel.
8. **Payment of Bills and Finance-**
    a. Kayla discusses bills and finance. Ewing asks for motion to pay the bills in the amount of $8,243.90, Gibson made a motion to pay the bills, Richards seconded the motion.
    6 ayes 0 nays
    Roll Call- Gibson I, Higgins I, Smith I, Richards I, Ewing I, Norton I.
9. **Old Business-**
    a. **Discussion and Vote Mr. McGuire trees**
    Sent a certified letter to McGuire about what is being done with the tree situation that he became involved in. And said he wasn't pay $5,000 for trees. Says he can do it for a fraction of it. He will be out in the sprint to plant 5 of them wherever we mark. Dahnkes gave a bid of $5,000 to plant 10 trees or however many. Quote is for 10 trees. 2.5-3 inch, 400lb balls. Would that satisfy the board? Board is satisfied. Needs to be 10 trees not 5. Ewing asks for motion to table vote, Richards made motion, Norton seconded.
    Tabled Vote 6 ayes 0 nays
    b. **Discussion Infrastructure Surcharge**
    Gibson asked for it to be brought up, and noticed that infrastructure surcharge was getting put on more than what was voted on. Only for Campsites, Cabins. Noticed that it was getting put on both docks, rental and lake docks, and that's not what was voted on. Wants the surcharge to be put on what was voted for originally. Nothing to do with boating. Just camping & cabins. Getting hit 2 times for a charge that was supposed to be put on the camping side of things. What we get from camping isn't going to get us enough to cover X amount for electricity. Tippett made the call and had Kayla put it on everything across the board. Revisit surcharge at a later time. Ewing asks for motion to remove infrastructure surcharge off of everything except for cabins and campsites, Smith made motion, Gibson seconded.
    6 ayes 0 nays

10. New Business

a. Discussion and Vote Prevailing Wage Resolution

Tippett discusses Prevailing Wage Resolution. As of 2019 it was an option to adopt Prevailing Wage. Ewing asks for motion to accept the minimum wage act for Illinois, Smith made the motion, Gibson seconded the motion.

6 ayes 0 nays

Roll Call, Smith I, Higgins I, Richards I, Ewing I, Norton I, Gibson I.

b. Discussion and Vote transfer of appropriations

Kayla discusses transfer of appropriations. $16,150 take that from gatehouse salary, Security & Fuel Dock salaries to it will even out. Smith asked what we are charging for CCF. Currently at 2.75% can charge as much at 3.9% Ewing asks for motion, Smith made motion, Gibson seconded.

6 ayes 0 nays

Roll Call- Higgins I, Richards I, Ewing I, Norton I, Gibson I, Smith I.

c. Discussion 2026-27 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance

Tippett/Kayla discusses 26-27 budget and Appropriation. Gives finance a month to look at it. Budget does reflect the $170,xxx. Revisit in committee per Ewing.

11. Executive Session 5ILCS 120/2 C-1, C-3, C-11 –

Ewing asks for motion to table line 11, Higgins made a motion, Smith seconded the motion.

Tabled 6 ayes 0 nays

12. Discussion and Vote Executive Session

a. Vote to Approve and Open/Close Executive Session Meeting Minutes Dated:

Ewing asks for motion to table line 12 Smith made a motion, Gibson seconded.

Tabled 6 ayes 0 nays

13. Committee Reports-

a. Campers- Did not meet.

b. Lake Management- Did not meet.

c. Finance- Did not meet. Next meeting Tuesday February 17th 2026. Because Monday is a holiday.

d. Policy- Did not meet.

e. Trails- Did not meet.

14. Adjourn –

Ewing asked for motion to adjourn, Higgins made motion, Gibson seconded.

6 ayes 0 nays