

REGULAR PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 19, 2026–
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Present: Chairperson Goodrich; Secretary Bresnahan; Members: Borgon, Hausman, Kreit, O’Gorman and Ruprich

Absent: Vice Chairperson Ross and Bayless

Also Present: Assistant to the Village Manager, Landis
Council Liaison, Hrydziusko

Chairperson Goodrich called the regular Parks & Recreation meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Beverly Hill Village Council Chambers located at 18500 W. 13 Mile Road, Beverly Hills, MI 48025.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion Borgon, second by Kreit, to approve the agenda as published.

Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dale Young, Riverside, questioned the timing and need for Riverside Park improvements and raised concerns about the proposed plan and the impact to the neighborhood.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MINUTES OF MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 19, 2026

Motion by Borgon, second by Kreit, to approve the minutes of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting held February 19, 2026 as submitted.

Motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS AGENDA

REVIEW AND CONSIDER REQUEST TO WAIVE PAVILION RENTAL FEE FOR BEVERLY ELEMENTARY BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENT

Motion by Kreit, second by Ruprich, The Beverly Hills Parks & Recreation Board recommends that Village Council approve the request from Beverly Elementary to host a back to school event on Friday, September 11, 2026 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. . It is recommended that fees for use of the pavilion be waived for this event provided that a \$250 refundable damage deposit and Certificate of Liability Insurance naming the Village of Beverly Hills as an additional insured is submitted to the Clerk’s Office prior to the event.

Motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER REQUEST TO WAIVE PAVILION RENTAL FEE FOR BIRMINGHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Motion by Bresnahan, second by Kreit, The Beverly Hills Parks & Recreation Board recommends that Village Council approve the request from Birmingham Public Schools to host a professional development/ employee appreciation event on Friday, July 10, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. It is recommended that fees for use of the pavilion be waived for this event provided that a \$250 refundable damage deposit and Certificate of Liability Insurance naming the Village of Beverly Hills as an additional insured is submitted to the Clerk's Office prior to the event.

Motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER ARTISTS FOR CONCERT IN THE PARK SERIES

The Board reviewed the Concert in the Park applicants and discussed their availability. The Board discussed the possibility of adding an extra concert on June 26th and reviewed staging considerations for the artists. Additionally, the Board will reach out to Bob Mervak and The Hood regarding their availability.

Motion by Hausman, second by Kreit, the Beverly Hills Parks & Recreation Board approves the following Concert in the Park artists for 2026: Harmonized Steel to perform on June 5th and Cliff Erickson to perform on July 17th. Two additional concerts on June 26th and August 14th, performers to be determined and finalized at the April meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER 2026 SCULPTURES IN THE PARKS RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board discussed the jury's recommendations and potential sculpture placements.

Motion by Hausman, second by Bresnahan, be it resolved, the Parks and Recreation Board approves the 2026 Sculptures in the Park selections (Air Bee N Bee, Time and Tide, Waiting in Silence, Blue Sky Totem and Abiding Observer) for a three-year loan period of May 2026- April 2029, with a \$1200.00 stipend per artist.

Motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER RIVERSIDE PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BIDS

The Board discussed the flexibility of the Riverside Park project scope including the gravel paths and potential removal of the kayak launch. The Board also discussed contractor selection and considering local bidder Jason's Outdoor Service who was slightly above the lowest bidder.

Motion by Hausman, second by Kreit, be it resolved, the Parks & Recreation Board recommends resolution to Beverly Hills Village Council as amended to hire Jason's Outdoor Services to perform improvements to Riverside Park in an amount not to exceed \$132,000.00. Funds are available in 208-900-974.10.

Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

A. MEMORIAL DAY

Goodrich informed the Board that Cindy Arvant has been secured to MC the Memorial Day Ceremony and stated that he will be working on sound system improvements. The Board discussed expanding speaking roles for this year's ceremony. Hausman gave an update on parade planning including sponsorship outreach, mascot availability and QR Codes for lineup. The Board discussed adding more face painters, announcing parade participants, accessibility accommodation for attendees, and ideas for adding more elements to the parade in celebration of America's 250th anniversary.

B. PARK CLEAN UP

The Board discussed the upcoming volunteer cleanup in May. Goodrich asked that the Board identify areas needing attention. The Board discussed planting flowers near the front.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

None.

LIAISON COMMENTS

Hrydziuszko gave an update on a DNR Trust Fund Grant that could be used for the path in the woods at Beverly Park.

BOARD COMMENTS

Ruprich commented on the recreational nets at Beverly Park and raised concerns about the durability and icy winter conditions of the gravel paths.

Bresnahan asked about the call for seasonal help and the age limit being 18 years of age and up. Landis informed the Board that the park ranger positions have been replaced with DPW seasonal employees who will perform both park and general DPW duties. Landis went on to say that all seasonal staff will go through the standard hiring process including background checks.

Goodrich gave an update on bike path conditions, wasp trap installation and memorial benches. The Board discussed the Movie in the Park event which included, securing a LED screen, potential Cable Board funding and movie licensing.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.