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Jericho Underhill Park District MEETING MINUTES-

Jericho Underhill Park District---Minutes: February 18, 2026

Present: Chris Greenwood, Dave Williamson, Paula VanDeventer, Donna Pratt,
Kim Spaulding, Bruce Blokland, Livy Strong

Absent:

Public Present: Paula Hemingway

1. JUPD Business Meeting called to order at 7:02pm

Adjustments to Agenda: none

Public Comments: Paula Hemingway is here to discuss her group's plans reserving the front lawn. Discussion below.

Review of 2/04/26 minutes: Paula and Donna had communicated some clarifications: Paula noted that the meeting start time was wrong. Donna clarified the minutes relating to outstanding billing issue with Mike Stromme. Donna clarified the minutes relating to her bookkeeper search. Corrections have been made.

Motion: by Dave to accept 2/04/26 minutes with the noted correction made, seconded by Paula. Approved unanimously

2. Monthly Reports

Financial Report: Donna reviewed spreadsheets for Budget vs Actual expenses to date; the Balance Sheet, with attention to footnotes below the report; Expenses by Vendor analysis.

Motion: by Dave to approve the financial report as presented, seconded by Kim. Approved unanimously.

3. Park Management

Election of Officers:

Paula nominated Livy to serve as Chairperson. Livy will agree to serve but will want to share some duties with the Vice Chair.

Dave nominated Bruce to serve as Secretary. Bruce agreed.

Kim nominated Dave to serve as Vice Chairperson. Dave agreed.
Bruce nominated Paula to serve as Treasurer. Donna will agree to commit to one year as Treasurer if the board will agree to hire a contract bookkeeper to assist with QuickBooks.
Paula nominated Chris to serve as Treasurer. Chris declines to serve, citing professional obligations that preclude devoting the necessary time to the position.

Motion: by Paula to approve the slate of officers and that they will serve for a period of one year. Seconded by Chris. Approved Unanimously.

Park Reservation request: Paula Hemingway, representing the No Kings 3.0 event scheduled for March 2026, in Jericho, from 10am to noon, asked for the board's guidance as to reserving the front lawn. The event would like to reserve the front lawn in order to be able to erect a space for public speakers and for community music performances during the event.

Donna expressed safety concerns at the park's entrance, with vehicles and pedestrians both utilizing the park's narrow road. Also there is concern about parking on the field itself, which, in March is likely to still be snow covered.

Dave asked that we clarify the park's insurance liability for this type of event. He also expressed concern about the attendees' standing on the road apron, given the likely snow banks and the limited visibility cars will have particularly at the curve across from Jolley's.

Paula Hemingway states that the event will have assigned Marshalls to assist with crown control and to manage cars dropping people off at the park. She assures that attendees will be asked to park at BRMS.

Paula Hemingway will take the board's concerns back to her planning group for further discussion and will communicate back to the board.

Discussion ended at 7:45pm.

4. Informational Topics

Playing Fields Reservation Policy on Usage: Dave has informed Emmet that there will be no price increase for the 2026 soccer season, but the park will advise him in the fall about a potential increase for the 2027 season.

Paula is working on streamlining the reservation document. One board member will manage the reservation process.

5. Update Topics

Boundary Signs: No update.

EcoPixel Invoices: Livy has not had a conversation with Paul at EcoPixel. Donna and Paula are providing background info. Paula volunteered to assist in the meeting with Paul.

Mylinh Delapa's Bird Signs: The signs have been placed.

Mowing Invoices: Livy has contacted Mike Stromme but has had no response. Donna questions whether or not we should award another mowing bid to Stromme, given his history of not invoicing JUPD. Dave volunteered to follow up with Mike Stromme.

Trail Accessibility: Donna reports that the RTP grant decision will be announced in March. Bruce to provide Paula with a public communication for the website with trail repair project updates.

Riparian Buffer Grant and Project: no update

Venmo Account: Donna and Chris continue researching Venmo transactions and how they will affect JUPD bookkeeping.

Riani Memorial Bench: Paula reports that material is being purchased this week.

Summer Concerts: Livy reports that 4 of the 5 dates have already been filled. Performers will be paid \$200. per performance. Donna asked if we should consider selling park posters at these concerts.

6. Other Business: none

Adjourn meeting

Motion: to adjourn at approximately 8:30pm by Dave, seconded by Livy and approved unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Blokland

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