

**VILLAGE OF FONTANA-ON-GENEVA LAKE  
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**Official Minutes**

**Park Commission Monthly Meeting**

Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 5:00 pm

The Park Commission meeting was called to order by Trustee Scott Vilona on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 5:00 pm at the Fontana Village Hall.

**Commissioners Present:** Trustee Chair Scott Vilona, Commissioner Susan Olson, Commissioner Robin Nuzzo, Commissioner Mary Green, and Commissioner Sarah Lobdell.

**Commissioners Absent:** Commissioner Zina O'Callaghan and Commissioner Stan Livingston.

**Also Present:** Village Administrator Loomer, Public Works Director Perepell, Village Clerk Buchanan, and resident Peggy Rasmussen.

**Visitors Heard**

Resident Peggy Rasmussen was present to discuss the rain barrels that are for sale.

**General Business**

**Treasurer's Report**

Administrator Loomer stated that going forward Treasurer Baumann will provide the Commission with a budget balance.

**Public Works Report**

Perepell stated that the benches and planters are out and that the DPW is repainting the Porter Court sign.

**Old Business**

**Discussion or Action on 2026 Park and Ball Field Fees - tabled 11/19/2025**

A draft of the new application was included in the packet. Suggestions were made regarding formatting, pulling out the tournament information, listing the security deposit information at the bottom of the fee schedule with an area for permit fee, security deposit, and total fee due. Lobdell will refine the application for next month's meeting.

**Discussion or Action on Rain Barrels**

Resident Peggy Rasmussen was present to discuss the rain barrels that are for sale. One of which is displayed in the Village Hall lobby. She is looking for options and support from the Park Commission and Village Board to promote them or what actions could be taken going forward. When visitors to the Village Hall have questions, staff does not have any information about the rain barrels beyond the QR code that is posted. Ms. Rasmussen will develop a flyer with information, costs, and the educational program that will be offered at Big Foot High School on April 25, 2026, regarding installation of the barrels. Commission members made suggestions to reach out to the Fontana Garden Club, Geneva Lakes Environmental Agency, and the Big Foot High School Environmental Club for cross-promotion opportunities. Perepell stated that the Village does not have a need for them. He stated that the rain barrels could be delivered and distributed at the Duck Pond facility but that they would not be able to store them long term. Consensus of the Commission members was that this was a worthwhile program that they would like to see continue.

**Discussion or Action on RecDesk Program for Beach Admission**

After discussion at the last Village Board meeting, the Board had concerns with the RecDesk program and decided not to go forward with it. Instead, the Village board opted to modify the language in the ordinance to reflect current and past practice, rather than modify the current practice to reflect the

ordinance.

### **New Business**

#### **2026 – 2027 Longs Landscaping Contract**

The contract is for fertilizing and spraying Village properties and runs from April 1, 2026, through May 31, 2027. The cost is the same as last year at \$14,460. Perepell stated that they were happy with the work and that there have been a lot less dandelions.

Commissioner Nuzzo moved to approve the 2026-2027 Landscaping Contract with Long's Landscaping. Commissioner Olson seconded. Motion passed without a negative vote.

#### **Fontana Garden Club 2026 Request for Memorial Garden and Porter Court**

The Fontana Garden Club has asked for a donation of \$800 this year which is an increase of \$150. With the increase in cost of flowers, the Commission agreed that this was understandable.

Commissioner Green motioned to approve the request for an \$800 donation to the Fontana Garden Club. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried without a negative vote.

#### **Declaring April 13, 2026, Fontana Garden Club Day**

The Fontana Garden Club is celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and would like the Village to designate April 13, 2026, as Fontana Garden Club Day. The Club has contributed a great deal to the Village throughout the years with their many projects.

Commissioner Lobdell move to recommend to the Village Board that April 13, 2026, be designated as Fontana Garden Club Day. Commissioner Green seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **2026 Arbor Day Proclamation**

Commissioner Lobdell moved to recommend to the Village Board that the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in April, April 24, 2026, be proclaimed Arbor Day in the Village of Fontana. Commissioner Lobdell moved to recommend that April 24, 2026, be proclaimed as Arbor Day in the Village by the Village Board. Commissioner Nuzzo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Olson/ Commissioner Lobdell 2<sup>nd</sup> made a Motion to Adjourn at 5:30 pm and the Motion carried without a negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Kim Buchanan, Village Clerk

Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Park Commission, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

Approved: 3/18/26