

**MIAMI COUNTY PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 21, 2026
Lost Creek Reserve Cabin
9 a.m. Meeting**

Present: Dr. Robert Malarkey, Elizabeth Gutmann, Jay Meyer, Scott Myers, Cinda Hanbuch-Pinkerton, Dan Weaver and Janeen Selanders.

MINUTES – Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 23, 2026, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried. Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2026 special meeting, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

BILLS AND RECEIPTS - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve the bills and receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

DONATIONS – Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to accept the donations and volunteer hours as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **RESOLUTION 1699-26** - Approval of the 2026 - 2027 Environmental Education grant awards - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1699-26 as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- B. **RESOLUTION 1700-26** - A Resolution Submitting to the electors of the Miami County Park District a tax levy pursuant to R.C. 1545.21 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1700-26 as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- C. **RESOLUTION 1701-26** - Authorization to enter into an agreement with Nitescapes for installation, teardown, service and repair of the light displays at the 2026 Holiday Lights Event at Lost Creek Reserve at a total cost of \$86,000 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1701-26 as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- D. **RESOLUTION 1702-26** - A resolution expressing the commitment of the board of park commissioners that the district's existing 1.5 mill levy will not be collected if the proposed 1.4 mill levy is approved by the electors - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1702-26 as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

A. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Foundation – A meeting is scheduled for later this week. No additional report.

OTHER BUSINESS

A. Staff Reports

- a. Operations – Dan displayed photos of current projects including the parking addition, sidewalk around restroom/office and the updated well casing at Stillwater Prairie Reserve. The pond is low for the installation of the pier which will begin soon. Repairs are also being done at the Honey Creek Preserve barn.

A plaque was installed at the Netzley property donation in memory of Sandra.

- b. Marketing - Amanda was absent. Scott had no additions to her report.
- c. Environmental Education - Cinda spoke about the need to meet with the elementary school leaders to see if it's possible to increase their participation in the programs.
- d. Executive - Scott had no additions. The next meeting is September 1, 2026.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Property & Personnel - There was no executive session. Mrs. Gutmann motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned 9:57 a.m.

J. Scott Myers

Dr. Robert Malarkey