Hancock Park District

HANCOCK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
Public Meeting Notice and Agenda

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2026
Location: Brugeman Lodge at Riverbend Recreation Area
9250 Township Road 208, Findlay, Ohio 45840
Time: 3:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated October 13, 2026

Financial Status

1. Review of the Financial Statement dated October 31, 2026, presented by Hancock Park District Business Manager Jamie Shane

Old Business

New Business

1. Request to approve the 2026 Property & Casualty Insurance Renewal
2. Request to approve the 2027 Budget
3. Request to approve Community Park Improvement Program grants in the amount of $100,000.00
4. Request to approve Resolution 2026-11 regarding an additional appropriation within the Hancock County Auditor's certification and the Hancock Park District's general fund in the amount of $5,000.00 for fuel

Discussion

1. Hancock Park District Report:
    - Director – Gary Pruitt
    - Park Operations Manager – Scott Egbert
    - Naturalist – Michelle Rumschlag

Public Input

Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 8, 2026 at 3:30 p.m.; Brugeman Lodge at Riverbend Recreation Area

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Staff Report/Agenda Supplement
November 10, 2026

Request to approve the 2026 Property & Casualty Insurance Renewal: Ryan Pessell from Hitchings Insurance Agency will be at the meeting to talk about the Ohio Plan Package Proposal and answer questions (see 2026 Property & Casualty Insurance Renewal and Ohio Plan Package Proposal).

Request to approve the 2027 Budget: There are several notable highlights:

1. Merit pay raises capped at 3%
2. $25,700.00 for fuel, a 22.4% increase
3. $69,503.00 for a new utility vehicle and two new mowers (replacements)
4. $4,500.00 for firewall replacement as recommended by the IT consultant
5. $5,940.00 for Internet/telephone service (including a new telephone system; $375.00 to install)
6. $1,600.00 for signs related to the anticipated opening of Cooper Pond by 2027/2028
7. $7,500.00 to reconstruct the walkway and repair the block foundation behind the office building
8. $348,725.00 for the Walkways Paving Project
9. $24,275.00 for the painting of the River Landings Maintenance Facility and storage buildings at Lehman Conservation Area and Bright Conservation Area
10. $7,500.00 to repair the apron in front of the attached garages at the River Landings Maintenance Facility
11. $5,600.00 for drain tile installation at Riverbend Recreation Area
12. $9,748.00 for programs and activities, a 28.6% increase

The total budget is $2,333,901.44. Approval of the budget at the November meeting will be followed by a 30-day public review period and a request to approve a resolution regarding the annual appropriation at the December meeting (see Hancock Park District 2027 Budget).

Request to approve Community Park Improvement Program grants in the amount of $100,000.00: Recommended grant awards for eligible villages and cities in Hancock County include:

1. $5,540.00 for three new entrance signs at Island Park (Mount Blanchard)
2. $11,011.16 to extend electrical service to the shelter at Hoadley Park (Van Buren)
3. $5,613.46 toward the renovation of floors in the community building and the replacement of restroom stalls (Jenera)
4. $9,207.65 to purchase 10 new trash receptacles for the pool area (Arlington)
5. $14,800.00 for the replacement of roof shingles on the main hall, maintenance building, concession building, and shelters (Arcadia)
6. $12,152.75 for crack filling, seal coating, and striping of parking lots (Rawson)
7. $2,933.00 to purchase three benches for the trail around Mosier Reservoir Park (Fostoria)
8. $3,000.00 toward shelter restoration at Riverside Park (Findlay)
9. $13,072.00 to resurface the playground area (Mount Cory)
10. $9,850.00 to refinish restroom and shower floors with epoxy paint (McComb)
11. $11,120.00 to pave the ADA accessible parking area in front of the community building (Vanlue)
12. $1,699.98 to purchase two benches for the playgrounds and pickleball court (Benton Ridge)

The Hancock Park District allocated $100,000.00 in the 2026 budget for grants. And even though there is a history of exceeding the annual budget on occasion by appropriating additional money for grants, the recommendation for 2026 is to operate within the budget. This recommendation is due to there being a pathway to $100,000.00 based on the grant requests and a strategic decision to try and maximize unappropriated funds for park improvement projects in 2027, including the Walkways Paving Project, Dold Lake Development Project, and Shank Lake/Dold Lake/Cooper Pond Improvement Project plus seal coating and striping parking lots and concrete construction if feasible. Bid results, grant reimbursement timelines, and the extent to which unappropriated funds are used for general uses over the next 12 months are the wild cards that may affect the financial picture (see 2026 Grant Requests and Grant History 1977 – present).

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Request to approve Resolution 2026-11 regarding an additional appropriation within the Hancock County's Auditor certification and the Hancock Park District's general fund in the amount of $5,000.00 for fuel: Hancock Park District Business Manager Jamie Shane has been consulting with personnel from the Park Operations Department and Program Department regarding planned purchases in the fuel subaccount and materials account as a whole. In October, the Board of Park Commissioners approved a resolution regarding an additional appropriation of

$5,000.00 for fuel. However, more money is needed to purchase fuel in support of park operations for the rest of the fiscal year (see Resolution 2026-11).