

**Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Directors
RIVER ROAD PARK and RECREATION DISTRICT
1400 Lake Drive, Eugene OR., 97404**

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, April 15, 2026

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Lambros, Craig Gibbons, Sharon Purdy, Nancy Forrest, Dylan Fitzpatrick
STAFF: Jana Weaver, Cindy Wade
PUBLIC: Beth Gerot

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of River Road Park and Recreation District's Board of Directors was called to order by Board Chairman, Michael Lambros at 7:10 pm.

ITEM 1 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda made by Sharon Purdy and seconded by Dylan Fitzpatrick. Passed unanimously.

ITEM 2 CITIZENS COMMENTS

Beth Gerot from the River Road Community Organization spoke about the gardening event held Sunday, had good participation despite poor weather; likely to be repeated.

Navigation Center open house attended; improvements noted despite past funding loss.

April 28: Neighborhood Plan Meeting (Parks & Open Space focus) at North Eugene High School, 5:30–7:00 PM.

May 4: River Road Community Organization meeting featuring a speaker from the League of Women Voters discussing ballot measures and voting information.

ITEM 3 PRESENTATIONS

3A. Aquatics Program:

Swim team ("Otters") performing strongly; six athletes placed in top six.

Program growth attributed to strong coaching and athlete development.

Gymnastics Program:

12 athletes qualified for regional competition (April 10–12).

Majority earned medals; several top three finishes.

Program generated approximately \$11,000 in revenue.

University Partnership:

University of Oregon MPA students in the process of conducting surveys and interviews.

Over 100 responses collected.

Final presentation expected mid-May (likely separate from regular board meeting due to length).

3B. Upcoming Events

Fishing Derby & Water Safety Day (May 2):

- Combined event focused on fishing and water safety education.
- Partnership with Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife.

"Plants & Pancakes" Event:

- New event combining plant sale, breakfast, and family crafts.
- Volunteers needed for food service and activities.

Vendor provides 10% of plant sale proceeds to the district.

3C. Maintenance & Capital Projects Update

Staff actively gathering quotes for major projects, including:

- Stage construction
- Boiler system
- Playground upgrades (with focus on accessibility)
- Roof and HVAC systems

Meetings held with architects and planning partners.

Full review and cost breakdown expected at next meeting.

3D. Financial & Administrative Updates

Office supply budget remains under control.

Anticipated future expense: replacement of aging staff laptops (4–5 year lifecycle).

Increase in foot care expenses due to shift from staff to independent contractor model; offset by increased revenue.

ITEM 4 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Sharon Purdy and seconded by Dylan Fitzpatrick. Passed unanimously.

ITEM 5 NEW BUSINESS

5A. Bond Support Services Agreement

Discussion on contracting municipal advisory services (\$20,000–\$25,000, contingent on bond approval). Motion made to approve by Craig Gibbons and seconded by Nancy Forrest. Passed unanimously.

5B. State Legislation (HB 4108 – Annexation)

Bill approved by the governor; allows voluntary annexation in Eugene area. Discussion included potential impacts on district boundaries and tax base. Board acknowledged limited control but agreed to monitor developments.

ITEM 6 BOARD COMMENTS

Interest in holding a work session to discuss:

- District strategy
- Community education
- Long-term planning

Tentative date of May 27th scheduled with Bob Keefer.

Suggestion to explore:

- Covered outdoor basketball area for safety and expanded use.
- Potential concession-style revenue space (future consideration).

ITEM 6 DATE FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

Date: May 20, 2026

Budget Meeting at 6:00 PM, followed by Regular Board Meeting.

ITEM 7 ADJOURNMENT 8:08 pm

MINUTES APPROVED ON _____, 2026.

Board Chairman, Michael Lambros

Recorded by Cindy Wade