

**MINUTES OF JUNE 16th , 2026
MEETING OF THE BEDFORD PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD**

The monthly meeting of the Bedford Park and Recreation Board was held on Tuesday June 16th, 2026, at the Bedford Municipal Hall, 1617 'K' Street, Bedford, Indiana, at the hour of 4:30 P.M. (E.S.T.)

PRESENT: Angie Sanders, Trevor Rynders, Barb Miller

ABSENT: Jo Underwood, Larry Arnold

Angie Sanders, Board President, states are there any changes to the minutes? Seeing none, they will stand.

Angie Sanders, Board President, states are there any changes to the claims?

A motion was made by Trevor Rynders, Board Vice President, seconded by Barb Miller, Board Member, to approve the claims as submitted. All were in favor.

Angie Sanders, Board President, 2026 Golf Tournament Schedule:

2026 Golf Tournament Schedule

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| • May 2 nd (Saturday) | Boys BNL Invitational | Tee Times (8am) |
| • May 16 th (Saturday) | BNL Boys Basketball | Shotgun (1pm) OTIS |
| • May 30 th (Saturday) | Freeze the Fight | Shotgun (8am) Otis |
| • June 7 th (Sunday) | Boat Club | Shotgun (8am) OTIS |
| • June 13 th , 14 th (Saturday Sunday) | Senior City | Tee Times (8:00am) |
| • June 13 th , 14 th (Saturday Sunday) | Ladies City | Tee Times (11:00am) |
| • June 13 th , 14 th (Saturday Sunday) | Junior City | Tee Times (12pm) |
| • June 19 th (Friday) | Restoration Church | Shotgun (1pm) BH |
| • June 20 th (Saturday) | Shrine Club | Shotgun (8:00am) OTIS |
| • June 27 th (Saturday) | Neeson Memorial | Shotgun (9am) BH |

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| • July 10th (Friday) | Dazzlers Dance | Shotgun (8am) |
| • July 11 th , 12 th , 18 th , 19 th (Sat, Sun) | Men's City | Tee Times (8:00am) |
| • July 25 th (Saturday) | Stenger Memorial | Shotgun (8:00am) BH |
| • July 26 th (Sunday) | American Legion | Shotgun (8:00am) |
| • August 1 st (Saturday) | Curt Gilstrap Memorial | Shotgun (8:30am) BH |
| • August 7th (Friday) | Hawkins-Bailey | Shotgun (8:30am) |
| • August 15 th (Saturday) | Orleans Booster | Shotgun (8:30am) BH |
| • August 22 nd (Saturday) | BNL Girls Invitational | Shotgun (8:30am) |
| • August 29 th (Saturday) | BNL Girls Basketball | Shotgun (8:30am) BH |
| • Sept 5 th , 6 th (Sat, Sun) | Claude Akins | Shotgun (7am, 1:30p) ALL |
| • Sep 12 th (Saturday) | Heltonville Scramble | Shotgun (8:30am) BH |
| • Sept. 19 th (Saturday) | Girls IHSA Sectional | Tee Times (8:30am) |
| • Oct 10 th (Saturday) | Bedford Firefighters Open | Shotgun (8:30am) BH |

Austin Judy, Golf Professional, we had a couple teams that want to add to the tournament schedule. The Dazzler's Dance team and Hawkins Bailey Warehouse. They would be on Fridays. On July 10th and August 7th both would be 8:30 am shot guns and I think it would be a good idea because we are usually slow on Fridays and the regular golf could start at 1:30. In the middle of summer I just think it would be good for the course.

Angie Sanders, Board President, do we have any questions about the outings? Do I have a motion to accept the changes to the 2026 Golf tournament schedule?

A motion was made by Barb Miller, Board Member, seconded by Trevor Rynders, Board Vice President, to approve the 2026 Golf Tournament Schedule as submitted. All were in favor.

Angie Sanders, Board President, Volunteer Indemnification Agreement:

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

This agreement is made and entered into by and between the **CITY OF BEDFORD, INDIANA** and the **CITY OF BEDFORD PARK BOARD** (hereinafter collectively "City"), and _____ (hereinafter "Volunteer").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Volunteer has requested permission from the City to provide voluntary, uncompensated labor to assist with repairs and/or maintenance at City parks for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the City's Art Gallery Boxes (hereinafter "project"); and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to accept Volunteer's offer to assist with the project, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE PARTIES HERETO:

1. The City shall coordinate with the Volunteer to complete the project at City's direction, at convenient times as determined by the City, and at no cost to the City.
2. City agrees that Volunteer shall be allowed to enter upon City's property for the purpose of performing with the above project.
3. Volunteer agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the City, its employees, agents, representatives, and designees harmless from any claims, injuries, damages, costs, expenses or other loss of any kind suffered by Volunteer while performing the work on the City's property.
4. Under no circumstance shall the Volunteer be deemed an employee of the City for any purpose, including, but not limited to, laws and regulations relating to unemployment insurance, workers' compensation, wages, hours, benefits, or labor and employment matters generally. The Volunteer acknowledges and agrees that the Volunteer is not an employee, partner, agent, representative, or principal of the City. The Volunteer shall not be entitled to, and expressly waives any claim to, any compensation, benefits, privileges, or protections provided to City employees.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT this _____ day of _____, 202__.

VOLUNTEER:

Signature

CITY OF BEDFORD:

By:

CITY OF BEDFORD PARK BOARD:

By:

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF LAWRENCE)

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, personally appeared _____, who acknowledged the execution of the foregoing Indemnification Agreement, and who, having been duly sworn, stated that any representations therein contained are true.

WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal this ____ day of _____, 202__.

Signature: _____ (SEAL)
Notary Public

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF LAWRENCE)

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, personally appeared _____, on behalf of the City of Bedford, Indiana, who acknowledged the execution of the foregoing Indemnification Agreement, and who, having been duly sworn, stated that any representations therein contained are true.

WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal this ____ day of _____, 202__.

Signature: _____ (SEAL)
Notary Public

STATE OF INDIANA)
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Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, personally appeared _____, on behalf of the City of Bedford Park Board, who acknowledged the execution of the foregoing Indemnification Agreement, and who, having been duly sworn, stated that any representations therein contained are true.

WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal this ____ day of _____, 202__.

Signature: _____ (SEAL)
Notary Public

THIS INSTRUMENT WAS PREPARED BY JAMES G. PITTMAN, ATTORNEY AT LAW, BEDFORD, INDIANA.

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, I had a lady approach us to paint the little art gallery box at Garden Park. We basically just had her sign a waiver so it takes the liability off us, and they can do volunteer work. We just had Greg draw it up for them to sign to remove us from any liability.

Angie Sanders, Board President, did we have something like this before?

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, yes, we have had this before.

Angie Sanders, Board President, ok do I have a motion?

A motion was made by Trevor Rynders, Board Vice President, seconded by Barb Miller, Board Member, to accept the Volunteer Indemnification Agreement as submitted. All were in favor.

Angie Sanders, Board President, Peggy Taylor the Middle School golf coach

Peggy Taylor, Middle School Golf Coach, I'm Peggy Taylor the Middle School girls' golf coach and I'm here to discuss fees that they are now responsible for which is new to me. I have been the middle school coach for 15yrs. I just always thought the fees were worked out between the school and the course. At least that's how it was handled with the high school. I have talked to Brian Turpin, the AD at BMS and I understand there needs to be some kind of reimbursement for the use of the course. The middle school program is ran differently than the high school program. It just concerns me if someone at the middle school level wants to pick up a club for the first time and try to learn the game which is what we do, the cost will price them out of that opportunity. The high school players are encouraged to play outside of practice times to improve their game. The middle school players are not. Some of the players may be able to play outside of practice times and some of their parents may play golf but the majority of them do not play golf. The girls that do play only get to play for an hour and a half, four days a week. We do have some matches and most of those are inner squads. They are 9-hole matches, and we usually have about seven matches. Middle school golf has been moved to the fall to help encourage participation. There weren't much participation and no school contact, so I called the schools to set up those matches. The high school girls' program is quite successful. They have won several sectional championships and, reginal championships and several state final appearances. Our school is the only one that feeds into the high school, and the Girls typically play in the spring, and most schools don't get to do that. If you are a golfer, you may not be aware that it takes several years to learn how to play and the rules and fundamentals of the game. Several players start in fifth or sixth grade and continue to play in high school and some into college. On the flip side of that, usually 50% of middle school girls continue to [lay in high school. That's my concern that right now the cost is \$155, The \$55 is for the student membership and \$100 is for the range fee. I'm hoping we can get out of that fee so that it is not prohibitive to their participation. I would like to make the half student membership available for parents to purchase but no make it required. Our 6 month time frame would still line up with the high school. Another option we could have the team to work at the course to help offset the cost. Whether that would be picking up balls pr something else. That pretty much sums up what information I wanted to give you guys.

Barb Miller, Board Member, how many girls do you usually have play?

Peggy Taylor, Middle School Golf Coach, so right now I have probably about 15 to 17. The

roster is not finalized because you don't finalize that until about the end of July before school starts. I've had as few as 4 and then last year I had 19. Already I have a few that aren't going to come back. There's a considerable number which is why it's good to feed into high school. The high school is paying for the girl's fees for the course and everything. The Middle school doesn't provide anything to the team except for I did get them to provide some t-shirts and some balls one year. Are there any other questions you have for me?

Angie Sanders, Board president, thank you Peggy for coming. I guess the only question I would have is what would your expectations be of us for that?

Peggy Taylor, Golf Coach, I would like for them to not have to purchase the membership to be on the team. Maybe a fee for the range to participate on the team and use the facility during those practice times would be acceptable. They may not even see the course when we have intersquad matches, and they may never pick up a club again if they are an absolute beginner.

Austin Judy, Golf Professional, if they would choose to play outside of practice times it would be pretty expensive. It would be \$7 for a bucket of balls and then \$17 to walk. It would add up especially for the range. If they are just playing the course, not so much but I know the high school hit a lot of balls on the range and I'm going to assume the middle school would too.

Peggy Taylor, Golf Coach, the middle school doesn't hit as many range balls as the high school. Some days I don't even take them to the range, we just stay down on the practice facility. The difference between the programs is the high school plays the course outside of practice and the middle school does not and I don't think the membership is necessary.

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, I would just like to add that I understand your concern. I wish we could let students play out there for free, but we just can't. I can only add this one thing. If you're going to do it for the girl's program, then you're going to have to do it for the boys and the and then junior golf and then everyone's going to expect it. That's just the way it is. So just be prepared if you guys do this, be prepared for other people who are going to want the same thing.

Peggy Taylor, Golf Coach, the way I see is that the programs are completely different. They follow the school schedule; they don't have many matches. It's just a different program.

Angie Sanders, Board President, so are you aware for the boy's program does the school pay for any of that?

Peggy Taylor, Golf Coach, I don't believe so. I think they might have paid for lunches or for an invite, but when I spoke to Brian Turpin, he didn't believe they paid for anything.

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, I'm pretty sure that's right because the middle has the invite the same day as the high school and they paid for their lunch that day. The parents were responsible for everything else.

Austin Judy, Golf Professional, they also paid for the shirts this year. They have a golf fund that they raise or get donations from. I think it came from that fund. I don't know if it's from the school or if they have a golf fund that Aaron Harold is head of from the Stinger. That snot part of the school so you might see if they would help with the boys' and girls' programs. But I know they paid for t-shirt and an awards night.

Trevor Rynders, Board Vice President, had something changed this year from the past?

Peggy Taylor, Golf Coach, from my understanding it's just a miscommunication of how things happened in the past. It was run two different ways, so it looks brand new, but it does not. For middle school girls I have never heard of them paying but I guess the boys have always paid.

Trevor Rynders, Board Vice President, so did the girls not pay, or did you just not know they paid.

Peggy Taylor, Golf Coach, I don't know. I mean the parents have asked me if they have to pay and I've said no because I thought the middle school paid for it. For the middle school boys, they will play other than practice. They will meet friends or parents will drop them off. Girls are different, they won't just go out alone. Or they can't go by themselves, and their parents aren't just going to drop them off for the whole day. Do you have any other questions?

Angie Sanders, Board President, I appreciate you bringing those things to our attention so we can understand things a little bit better. I do understand how they are just a little bit different. Just having a son and a daughter go through the program. I would like to have a discussion about this. Even maybe with Barb because she is on the school board. Just to see if that is an avenue to see if there was money to be paid. The unfortunate part with golf and other sports is that golf doesn't bring in money where the other sports do. We don't charge parents to go out there and watch except for the spectator cart and that goes back to the golf course. But it's always been a very winning program. That program has been successful because they started young. I want to have a discussion with barb and see if there's money there and see where we can go. I do appreciate you coming and bringing it to our attention.

Peggy Taylor, Golf Coach, thank you for listening.

Angie Sanders, Board President, life saving devices at John Lowery Pool

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, people have been asking why we don't allow life vests in the pool, and we only allow puddle jumpers which is a thing that goes around their arms and

had a floatation device across the chest. I just want to bring it to you guys for discussion to see what you think. There's really nothing out there to get a recommendation on what's best. Just a few years ago is when we just started allowing puddle jumpers. After looking at some surrounding areas Bloomington and Brownstown do allow life vests as well. There is discussion that it might be unsafe because the vest would go up in the neck area. I can't imagine it would be that bad if Bloomington and Brownstown allowed it. But I just want to see if that something you guys would like to start allowing life vest as well. I don't know if we should have our lifeguards make decisions on if they are correctly fit and put that on them. But both Bloomington and Brownstown said they have to be coastguard approved which is a sticker that has the coast guard approved on it. But they don't check to see if the fit is correct or anything.

Angie Sanders, Board President, that's my concern it might have the sticker but how do we know it's safe. We could have a small child in a large life vest and there where are you? I would just like to look into it a little more because if they don't fit correctly that's putting our lifeguards in a bad situation. It could also even be a liability of the pool. Because just because we say it's lifeguard approved you don't know if it's fitted to the child and that makes me a little nervous. Whereas puddle jumpers are made for little kids and the right size. That's just something I would like to discuss more. Is there any other discussion?

Trevor Rynders, Board Vice President, is this for a child who can't swim? Would they be in water over their head?

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, I assume that's what it would be.

Amber McIntyre, Office Manager, the most recent incident was a family that brought a one-year-old that wanted to put them in a life jacket they could be in the deeper water. I don't like that.

Angie Sanders, Board President, that's what I'm saying, a one-year-old needs a strap to keep them afloat where a life jacket their head would just be like a little turtle. It just makes me a little nervous. What do you have any thoughts Barbara since you have little grandchildren?

Barb Miller, Board Member, my grandkids all use puddle jumpers, but they are like 2 or 3 years old. They didn't use them at 1 year of age. I think that's a little young to be in the deep end.

Angie Sanders Board President, I mean I would just like some more time to look into it,

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, I can branch out a little further and see if other pools get recommendations from anyone. But Bloomington and Brownstown that's just what they do and didn't get recommendations from anyone.

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, these kids aren't running off the diving board or going down

the slide with these life vests on. That would be a rule under policy.

Trevor Rynders, Board Vice President, so they wouldn't be in the deep part. If their parents are there and there is a rope to separate the shallow from the deep end. Because when I was a kid, you had to swim back and forth from the deep end to the rope or something first. Before allowing us to go to the deep. We might have to restrict them to be with an adult and not being alone. Right?

Angie Sanders, board President, we have to assume that adult is watching the and the life jacket is the right size. I just don't want the life jacket to be the incorrect size and the putting the liability back on the city.

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, we have been working with Miles with our insurance and he didn't really say. He just recommended the wording should say about what we are responsible for and liable for.

Angie Sanders, board President, what about the lifeguards is there any kind of approval for them or does each pool just make their own decision?

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, from what I get its just each pool making their own decisions

Angie Sanders, Board President, I make a motion to table it until we get a little more information.

Trevor Rynders, Board Vice President makes a motion to table it. Barb Miller, Board Member, seconds the motion. All were in favor.

Angie Sanders, Board President, Park Director Report

Jimmy Jones, Park Director, the guys have been seal coating the maintenance building roof at Thornton. We had some leaks in the roof, so they painted that. I think they finished it up today. Then we replaced some wood on the benches at Edgewood Park. They trimmed the trees at Beech Grove Cemetery and added mulch to all the playgrounds. Then basically just doing the normal mowing, weed eating and all if that stuff.

Angie Sanders, Board President, Recreation Director Report

Isaiah Moore, Recreation Director, the pool is open every day from 12-6 until school starts on August 5th. And it's open on Saturdays and Sundays from 12-6 until Labor Day, which is the last day. We have adult lap swim every day. Monday through Thursday mornings from 11-11:45 and evenings from 6-6:45 and Friday, Saturday and Sunday we have 11-11:45. Its \$2 for 1 session, \$20 for a month or \$50 for the whole season. We also have our water aerobics aquacise class on Thursday mornings from 10:45-11:45. On July 31st we are going to be having our Luau again. It's going to be on Friday evening from 6:30-8:30. Tickets are going to go on sale soon. It will include food with the ticket, and we will have

the concessions available as well. There will be music and games and stuff. It was a really good time last year. Our summer leagues we have softball and pickleball going on again. I still don't know if we are playing tonight. Still working on that one. So yes, every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday we have softball at Murray and Pickleball at Wilson. If you ever get bored go check out some games. Last week we had our art class put on by Tink's Fine Arts. We had six participants and for the weekend we heard very good things, everyone that was involved in it was very excited. There's been discussion about maybe having another one soon. We have Running Club every Tuesday and Thursday for June & July. We have K-3rd group at 8am and then 4th-6th group at 9am, We have been having double digits in both groups every single week. That's been a good turn out so far this summer. We do have our craft day coming up next week and I believe we are still working on that craft. Then we will have a second one on July 29th. Both of those are going to be from 10-11am at Thornton Park Pavilion. This last Saturday we had our skate park cleanup event that we partnered with the Shredford Skate Park Project. It was a really good turnout throughout the day. They hung out most of the day and a lot of different people from a lot of different cities stopped by and cleaned up a little bit. They talked more about their projects and what they are looking to do with the skate park in the future. Then we have a couple of trips coming up. We are taking a trip to Church Hill Downs next Friday. The cost is \$20 and we still have 4 spots left on the bus. Then on July 22nd we are taking a trip to an Indianapolis Indians game. We still have several spots left for that. It will also be \$20.

Angie Sanders, Board President, all right thank you, lots of activities going on, Golf Professional Report.

Austin Judy, Golf Professional, we are staying busy around Otis. We just had our junior girls camp a couple of Saturdays ago. We had a good turnout for that. I think we had 18 middle school girls. Yea I didn't know how many girls would come out for that, but it was a good turnout. Then we had our Lady's City, Senior City and Junior City championships last weekend. The senior champion was JT Bellush, Ladies champion was Brooklyn Crommwell. The junior girls champion 15 and up was Emma Voris and the 15 and up junior boy was Brayden Ohl. The 14 and under girl's champion was Carissa Matlock and 14 and under boys was Easton Blanton. All went well and we got it just in time for the weather. It rained on us the last 5 minutes, but it was a good turnout. We have the Restoration outing this Friday and then we have the Shrine outing on Saturday. Then the Neeson Memorial coming up in early July and then the Stenger Memorial, so we are going to continue to stay busy as long as the weather holds off.

Angie Sanders, Board President, all right, thank you. Any new business? Seeing none we are adjourned.

Angie Sanders, Board President

Trevor Rynders, Board Vice-President

Barb Miller, Board Member