Town of Cicero Park Board Meeting Minutes

September 3rd, 2026

I. **Call to order** Meeting was called to order by Vice President Devlin at 5:00 pm. Mr. Strong conducted roll call. Park Board members were present or absent as follows.

Present:	Dan Strong Mary Devlin Sierra Fisher Amy Wolfe	**Absent**:	Clayton Bell

II. **Declare a Quorum Present:** Vice President Devlin declared quorum with four members present.

III. **Others Present**: Sarah Millis, Parks Administrative Assistant
Jim Hunter, Parks Superintendent

IV. **Approval of Agenda:** Mr. Strong made a motion to approve the meeting agenda, Ms. Fisher seconded; motion carried 4-0.

V. **Approval of Prior Minutes:** Ms. Wolfe made a motion to approve the June meeting minutes, Mr. Strong seconded; motion carried 4-0

VI. **Old Business:**

a. **Library Property-** Moving ahead with transition to Parks Department. Got signatures from the Town Council and Library Board; hope to be completed by end of the year.

b. Flagpole at Red Bridge- Snow fence is down and the area is complete and ready for the dedication on Labor Dat at noon.

c. Creating Places Grant Update- Ended with $69,083 raised. Will be able to add more pieces with the additional money that was raised. There has already been more money committed for seating, tables, and possibly a small shade structure.

d. **2027 Budget-** Significant cut to budget last year and this year. Looking at tax revenue, it has gone down significantly due to tax levy not being applied to the parks in the past. Plan to go through budget early next year with the Park Board.

e. **Street Festival-** More than 2700 people attended. Hoping for an even bigger crowd next year.

VII. New Business:

a. Erosion Control in Cove- Thomas Docks placed rip rap in 2 separate areas to help prevent some of the erosion. Mr. Hunter met with an engineer and is looking to take more measures to stop the continuing erosion.

b. NRG Fence- Fence on the North side of NRG has been mostly completed. The old fence has been taken down and new one is up. Still need to add some locks to the gates, paint the posts, etc. Port Authority provided a dumpster, and the parks department is cleaning up along the railroad. Plan on grinding stumps in old fence line next week.

VIII. Miscellaneous:

a. Farmers Market/ Attendance/ Upcoming Events- Last 3 weeks of markets. Vendor and attendance are up from last year. 24 vendors for this upcoming weekend. Car Show September 7, Spaghetti Dinner/ Concert/ Jeep Cruise In on September 20, Haunted Trail October 23 and 24.

IX. Next Meeting October 1st, 2026, at 5:00pm, Town Hall

X. Motion to Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Strong, Ms. Wolfe seconded the motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:32 pm by Vice President Devlin.

Terms:

- Clayton Bell- Council Appointment- 1/5/2026-1/1/2030
- Mary Sue Devlin- Council Appointment- 1/5/2026-1/1/2030
- Dan Strong- Council Appointment- 5/8/2024-1/4/2027
- Amy Wolfe- Council Appointment- 5/8/2024-1/3/2028
- Sierra Fisher - Library Appointment – 2/19/2026-1/1/2029

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I. **Signatures of Board**

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_____	**Dan Strong**	_____
_____	**Amy Wolfe**	_____
_____	**Mary Devlin**	_____
_____	**Clayton Bell**	_____
_____	**Sierra Fisher**	_____

Attest: _____ _____

Jim Hunter, Parks Superintendent **Sarah Millis, Parks Administrative Assistant**

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