

**Mundelein Community Days Commission
Meeting Minutes**

February 19, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The Mundelein Community Days Commission meeting was held on February 19, 2026 at 300 Plaza Circle, Mundelein. Chairperson Salski called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

ATTENDANCE

Chairperson Salski took the roll call. It indicated as follows:

Board Attendance

PRESENT: Commissioner Biegel, Commissioner Ditanto, Commissioner Salski, Commissioner Newby, Commissioner Quaiyoom, Commissioner Krummick
ABSENT: Commissioner Poletto

Village Attendance

PRESENT: Kelsey Howe, Business Services Manager, Brian Kisselburg, Commander

Motion to approve Commissioner Quaiyoom's remote meeting participation.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Karrie Newby
SECONDER:	Commissioner Virginia Biegel
AYES:	Virginia Biegel, Laura Ditanto, Ron Salski, Karrie Newby, Shah Quaiyoom, Michael Krummick
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the January 15, 2026 Minutes

Motion to approve the January 15, 2026 Mundelein Community Days Commission Regular Meeting Minutes.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Virginia Biegel
SECONDER:	Commissioner Karrie Newby
AYES:	Virginia Biegel, Laura Ditanto, Ron Salski, Karrie Newby, Shah

	Quaiyoom, Michael Krummick
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There was no public commentary.

2026 MUNDELEIN DAYS PLANNING

Layout

The Commission discussed upgrading the main tent to a 60x80' tent to add more shade. This would add about \$700 to the rental. The Commission agreed it was in the best interest of the attendees to add the larger tent.

Budget

There was no report.

Sponsorship

Alef Sausage is the first Star Level sponsor. Commissioner Newby said \$12,730 in donations have been generated so far, which is a significant increase over last year at this time.

Fireworks

There was no report.

Parade

The High School has confirmed the parade will be staged in their parking lot. The Commission discussed changing the parade route to Hawley to Seymour to Division.

Motion to change the route to: east on Hawley St., south of Seymour Ave., east on Division St. and conclude at Metra.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Virginia Biegel
SECONDER:	Commissioner Karrie Newby
AYES:	Virginia Biegel, Laura Ditanto, Ron Salski, Karrie Newby, Shah Quaiyoom, Michael Krummick
NAYS:	None

ABSTAIN: None

The Commission discussed the theme of the parade should focus on America's 250th anniversary. Liaison Howe explained that the Navy band had reached out already, and she will fill out and submit their required form to secure their participation.

Carnival

There was no report.

Pageant

The Commission discussed moving the pageant to Saturday, June 27 at 5pm.

Motion to move the pageant date to Saturday, June 27 at 5pm.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Karrie Newby
SECONDER:	Commissioner Laura Ditanto
AYES:	Virginia Biegel, Laura Ditanto, Ron Salski, Karrie Newby, Shah Quaiyoom, Michael Krummick
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Liaison Howe confirmed payment for applications can't be accepted online, but a credit card and/or check can be accepted at the Village Hall. Additional language regarding address verification will be added to the applications. Commissioner Biegel will send updated photos for the website and information for the e-newsletter to Freedom.

Music

There was no report.

Munch / Food Vendors

The application will be available mid-March. Prime Beef and Hitz has already inquired about being a vendor.

Beer Booth

The Commission discussed selling drinks, like High Noons. Commander Kisselburg will confirm if canned beverages can be served out of a can rather than poured in a cup. Commissioner Krummick discussed an alternative ticket to the roll of tickets.

Special Events

The Commission agreed that adjusting the start of the festival on July 2 to 4pm to align with the carnival would be the best option. Bags will be replaced with pickleball. Liaison Howe will update the sponsor form. The Commission discussed the request for payment for the Hot Dog Eating Contest and agreed they would prefer to forego a donation in lieu of paying for the event.

Comments

There were no comments.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Commissioner Quaiyoom is seeking an alternative mariachi band and will book the additional concerts based on the remaining budget. A port-o-potty will be rented for the concerts series.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The Commission agreed to maintain the route on Division St. as it was last year.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 AM.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Virginia Biegel
SECONDER:	Commissioner Karrie Newby
AYES:	Virginia Biegel, Laura Ditanto, Ron Salski, Karrie Newby, Shah Quaiyoom, Michael Krummick
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

NEXT MEETING - March 19, 2026