



# Bourbonnais Township PARK DISTRICT

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## **Michael O'Shea Appointed Executive Director of Bourbonnais Township Park District**

The Bourbonnais Township Park District (BTPD) is excited to announce the appointment of Michael O'Shea as its new Executive Director. With over 17 years of experience in the parks and recreation field in Illinois and Indiana, O'Shea brings a wealth of talent and knowledge along with a strong commitment to community enrichment.

O'Shea, 39, graduated from the University of St. Francis at Joliet in 2006, where he also played baseball for the Saints. "When I was at St. Francis, my advisors talked about parks and recreation. They said since I liked being outdoors and it had a team mentality, this is a great field to go into. It has a lot of opportunities to branch out," explained O'Shea.

O'Shea has worked in various leadership roles, most recently serving as the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation for the town of St. John, Indiana. His background includes planning, coordinating, and supervising multiple recreation programs and capital improvement projects.

"This is a great opportunity with a lot of potential. I'm excited to push forward," O'Shea said.

BTPD commissioners have set a goal to build on the recreation side and O'Shea is ready to support. "My early days, I worked heavily on the recreation side. That is a strength I have to help here," he noted.

O'Shea resides in St. John, Indiana, with his wife Kerri, whom he met at St. Francis, and their five children. As the eldest of nine siblings, O'Shea has always valued the importance of community and teamwork, which he brings to his new role at BTPD.

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