

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2025 **5:30 PM**

ROLL CALL

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IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

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None

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IF PROSPECTIVE ATTENDEES REQUIRE AN INTERPRETER OR OTHER ACCESS ACCOMMODATION NEEDS, PLEASE CONTACT THE GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT OFFICE AT 618-877-3059 NO LATER THAN 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING TO ARRANGE ACCOMODATIONS.

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I. ROLL CALL

President Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were: Linda Ames, Don Harris, Jenna DeYong and Matt Jones. Commissioner Craig Sykes was not in attendance. Employees in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Attorney Eric Robertson, acting Secretary Megan Dittman, Recreational Programming and Security Coordinator R.P. Phelps, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, and Gardens Supervisor Freda Boling.

II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 18, 2024 (Pages 659-664)

Motion to approve the minutes and attachments of the Regular Board Meeting of December 18, 2024, as presented, was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Jenna DeYong. All commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 665)

- A. Finance Committee (Jenna DeYong, Chairman)
None
- B. Engineering Committee (Don Harris, Chairman)
None
- C. Municipal Relations Committee (Craig Sykes, Chairman)
None
- D. Rules, Personnel Policies Committee (Linda Ames, Chairman)
None

IV. FINANCE REPORT (Pages 666-676)

Motion to approve the Finance Report, as presented, was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT (Pages 677-695)

Motion to approve the Finance Report, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request to address the Board- None

B. Request for use of facilities

1. Request from the Tri Cities Area Association for Handicapped, Inc. to hold their annual Summer Day Camp in Wilson Park on June 9th through June 13th, 2025. **(Pages 696-697)** Motion to approve the request as presented was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

2. Request from the Madison County Clerk's Office to use the Brown Recreation Center, Wilson Park Ice Rink, and Lincoln Place for the April 1st, 2025 Consolidated Election **(Pages 698-701)**. Motion to approve the request as presented was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

3. Request from G.C. Tribe Baseball & Softball Club to use Parente Field in Worthen Park for their 2025 season **(Pages 702-703)**. Motion was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

C. Other- None

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 25-01 approving improvements at Civic Park by the City of Granite City as part of the City of Granite City plan to revitalize downtown Granite City. **(Pages 704-706)**. Motion to approve the resolution as presented was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

2. Resolution 25-02 approving participation in Goodbuy, Purchasing Program of the Education Services Center, Region 2 **(Pages 707-714)**. Motion to approve the resolution as presented was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by

Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

IX. Maintenance Report (Page 715)

X. Gardens Report (Page 716)

XI. Recreation Report (Page 717)

XII. Facilities Report (Page 718-721)

XIII. Golf Course Report (Page 722-723)

XIV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Bruene Drive

Joe Juneau notified us about scheduling a meeting to discuss the existing drainage situation associated with the stormwater impacts on the properties in the drainage basin located at the end of Bruene Drive.

Attorney Robertson and I met with Joe Juneau on December 30th to better understand this request. Juneau noted that in addition to the Park District, this issue impacts the apartment complex and the trailer park. Each property has unique impacts, and Joe was able to provide a better understanding of the engineering solutions needed to address the surface water flooding at each property. More information to come in the future.

IAPD Conference

Next Wednesday myself, along with both Recreation Supervisors, our Maintenance Supervisor, and Facilities Manager, we will attend the Soaring to New Heights Conference in Chicago put on by the Illinois Association of Park Districts. This conference offers the staff unique educational opportunities for their area of responsibility. In addition to the classes, one of the largest trade shows in the United States for parks and recreation professionals is held at this conference.

MEPRD Grant

We were notified yesterday that MEPRD's Board of Directors approved our grant for an FY 2025 Park & Trail Grant for the "Wilson Park Tennis & Pickleball Court Redevelopment" project. We were approved for the maximum amount of \$150,000.

Since we have received our "notice to proceed," All Weather Courts will be able to provide a better timeline for this project. Once we have more information, we'll begin blasting this project on social media, letting folks know the courts will be unavailable soon.

Office Updates

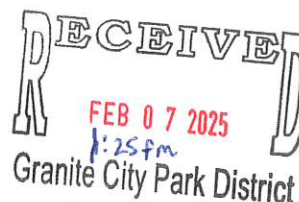
The interior painting is nearly complete, and the flooring has been ordered.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Don Harris. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.

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Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee	Jenna DeYong, Chairman
B. Engineering Committee	Don Harris, Chairman
C. Municipal Relations	Craig Sykes, Chairman
D. Rules, Personnel Policy	Linda Ames, Chairman




Request To Address The Board of Commissioners

I request permission to address the Board of Park Commissioners at the meeting of
12 day of Feb 20 25.

The subject, sought to be addressed is:

Worthen field Lohman Field

It is understood that the time allotted for presentation is three (3) minutes.


Signature of Party seeking to address the Granite City Park Board

Name Printed

4923 Driftwood Dr
Address

Granite City IL 62040
City State Zip

618-806-8724
Phone Number

THIS APPLICATION CANNOT BE CONSIDERED UNLESS COMPLETED IN ITS ENTIRETY.

Summer/Fall baseball field usage

From: Smallie, Scott (scott.smallie@gcsd9.net)
To: jbrinkmeyer@graniteparkdistrict.com
Cc: john.moad@gcsd9.net
Date: Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 10:04 AM CST

Good morning Justin

I am not sure if you are aware of it or not but they are turfing our baseball field this summer. So we are field-less for a bit. Would it be possible to hold our high school baseball camp at the park this summer in July? I was shooting for July 14/15/16 but I know ours is always around that cardinal care camp so if you know the date, I can schedule around it? We would use field 1/2/3/4/5 if needed. We have used the park in the past and it has worked out tremendously. We are able to use the shade of the trees and also spread out the different age groups.

Also, could Coolidge baseball use the fields 1 and 2 8/4 - 9/11 Monday through most Friday. Our practices would be roughly 230-4pm. I know Holy Family/St E use it for practice and such but we would be done by the time they get there.

Game dates with start time of 3:30

August 18/19/21/25/26/28

September 2/4/8/9/11

Obviously I will send you and Brad a complete schedule but wanted to get this information to you as soon as I possibly could.

Thanks for your time
Scott Smallie
618-580-9652

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Dear Sir,

Please consider this letter as our official request to use the skating pavilion for our annual Easter Sunrise Service, sponsored by the three Lutheran Churches of Granite City.

Date to be April 20, 2025.

Service to start at 6:30 a.m.

As has been done in the past, we would request that the chairs and platform be set-up by the park personnel.

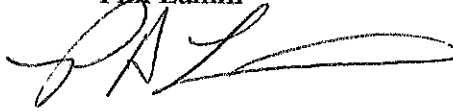
We will place crosses on or before Friday, April 18th.

We would also request, as has been in the past, that the facility would supply coffee after the service.

Please use the contact information supplied as needed, and to confirm the request.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Phil Lamm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Lamm', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Hope Lutheran Church

Sponsor Church for 2025:

St John Lutheran Church

St Clair Ave

Granite City, Ill. 62040

Contact Person:

Phil Lamm

1434 St Thomas

Granite City, Ill. 62040

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January 22, 2025

Granite City Park District
c/o Justin Brinkmeyer, Executive Director
2900 Benton Street
Granite City, Illinois 62040

Sent via email to:

jbrinkmeyer@graniteparkdistrict.com

Subject: Notice to Proceed | MEPRD FY 2025 Park & Trail Grant Program
Project: Wilson Park Tennis & Pickleball Court Redevelopment

Dear Mr. Brinkmeyer:

It is my pleasure to congratulate the Granite City Park District on being selected to receive **up to \$150,000** in grant funding under the Metro East Park and Recreation District (MEPRD) FY 2025 Park and Trail Grant Program, to assist with the project titled: "Wilson Park Tennis & Pickleball Court Redevelopment." **Please consider this correspondence your grant award letter and notice to proceed.**

Keep in mind, this grant funding is dependent on details contained within the grant application and project agreement. Remember to keep accurate financial records from this point forward so that you will be ready to prepare your reimbursement request packet upon project completion. We recommend that you use the 'MEPRD Project Expense Worksheet' to keep track of eligible project costs, invoices, and proof of payment documentation while the project is ongoing. It may also be helpful to look at the Grant Reimbursement Form now, so you know what to expect later. These forms are available to download on MEPRD's website at: meprd.org/park-trail-grant.

Please find enclosed a fully executed copy of the approved Grant Application and Project Agreement for the park district's files. Feel free to contact us should you have any questions moving forward. Once again, congratulations on the award and we look forward to working with you on this project.

Congratulations again,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cole Preston".

Cole Preston
Grant Coordinator

Enclosures: ^[1] MEPRD FY25 Park and Trail Grant Program Application
^[2] MEPRD FY25 Project Agreement

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February 3, 2025
Job No. 230213X
Parcel Nos. 3 & 31

Project: City of Granite City
Madison Avenue Resurfacing, Phases 1, 2, & 3
County: Madison
Sections: 21-00189-01-RS, 22-00189-02-RS and 23-00189-03-RS

RE: Informal Meeting

Sent VIA Certified Mail No.: 9589071052700974874086

Granite City Park District
2900 Benton Street
Granite City, IL 62040
ATTN: Mr. Justin Brinkmeyer
Park Director

Dear Mr. Brinkmeyer:

The intent of this letter is to notify you that an informal informational meeting is scheduled for the purpose of discussing the proposed improvement to Madison Avenue from 23rd Street to 29th Street. This meeting will be held at the City of Granite City, 2000 Edison Avenue, Council Chambers-Top Floor, Granite City, Illinois on Thursday, March 6, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to inform local residents, interested individuals and agencies of the planned improvement. This improvement consists of Resurfacing Madison Avenue from 23rd Street to 29th Street.

In addition, the improvement will involve Patching, ADA Ramp Upgrades, sidewalk, curb and gutter repairs. Where existing right-of-way is not adequate, additional right-of-way and / or temporary easements must be acquired from adjacent property owners to construct this improvement.

This informational meeting is your opportunity to learn about the proposed improvement. Your questions and comments are most welcome.

Sincerely,

Brian Kulick
Project Engineer

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