

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE  
2900 BENTON STREET  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2025 5:30PM**

**I. ROLL CALL**

President Harris called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were Linda Ames, Chris Mitchell, Craig Sykes, and Don Harris. Commissioner Matt Jones was not in attendance. Employees in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Gardens and Memorials Supervisor Freda Bolling, Recreational Programming and Communications Coordinator Megan Dittman, Golf Course Manager and Professional Steve Finn, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, Attorney Ryan Robertson, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor.

**II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2026 (Pages 871-873)**

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Regular Board Meeting of April 8, 2026 was made by Commissioner Chris Mitchell, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

**III. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2026 (Page 874)**

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Finance Committee Meeting of April 8, 2026 was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Chris Mitchell. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

**IV. FINANCE REPORT (Pages 875-888)**

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Finance Report was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Craig Sykes. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

## **V. TREASURER'S REPORT (Pages 889-907)**

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Treasurer's Report was made by Commissioner Chris Mitchell, 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**

None

### **C. Other**

None

## **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Resolution 26-12 entering into an agreement with FAIRWAYiQ for Hardware and Software systems at The Legacy Golf Course (Pages 908-915)

Motion to approve the Resolution was made by Commissioner Chris Mitchell, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

## **IX. PARK OPERATIONS (Page 916)**

1. **Gardens Report (Page 916)**
2. **Recreation Report (Page 917)**
3. **Facilities Report (Page 918)**
  - Pool Report (Page 919)
  - Ice Rink Report (Page 920)
  - Concessions Report (Page 921)
4. **Golf Course Report (Pages 922-923)**

## **X. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **Pool- Slide Tower**

The contractor began grinding and sanding the support structure for the water slide last week. On Monday, April 20th, the scissor lift arrived, allowing the crew to access the high

platform and continue the process. During this work, several areas showed concerning levels of rust and flaking. One connecting piece in particular raised concerns of structural integrity.

After sharing these findings with the facility manager, he immediately notified me of his observations. We contacted Capri Pools, but they do not handle repairs to slides or slide towers. I contacted IPARKS to see if they had any additional guidance on the repair process to follow. Additionally, we have contacted an engineer to schedule a site visit and determine the next steps. We are awaiting a response.

### **Worthen Park**

Last week, the contractor was onsite completing work and discovered a loss of power in the pump room. They are working to resolve the issue, which appears to be at the pole that supplies power by the ballfield. JF Electric is scheduled to have someone onsite tomorrow to make the necessary repair.

The issues with the volleyball court appear to be the result of landscaping being removed due to budget constraints.

We remain on schedule for the May 9th ribbon cutting.

### **Tree Grant**

Gardens and Memorials Manager Freda Bolling and I met with the President of the Granite City Tree Advisory Board last week to discuss the details of the Worthen Park tree grant. We anticipate installing the trees in late fall.

### **Appropriation Ordinance**

The budgeting process is well underway for FY 2026/27, as our fiscal year begins May 1. I am hopeful we will have the Madison County extension numbers by the end of next week, which is one of the final pieces needed to complete the draft.

### **Loman Park**

Our Maintenance Team did an excellent job repairing and painting both the pavilion and the restroom/concession building. We hope to have a contractor install a new roof on the building this summer. The parking lot is still scheduled to be resealed and new striping installed in the coming weeks.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Chris Mitchell. Meeting adjourned at 5:56 PM

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