

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025 5:30PM**

I. ROLL CALL

Vice President Craig Sykes called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were Matt Jones, Chirs Mitchell, and Craig Sykes. Commissioners not in attendance were Linda Ames and Don Harris. Employees in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Superintendent of Operations Bradley Boone, Gardens and Memorials Supervisor Freda Bolling, Recreational Programming and Communications Coordinator Megan Dittman, Recreational Programming and Security Coordinator R.P. Phelps, 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 JUNE 10, 2026 (Pages 88-91)

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Regular Board Meeting of June 10, 2026 was made by Commissioner Matt Jones, second by Commissioner Chris Mitchell. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 92)

- A. Finance Committee (Chris Mitchell, Chairman)
None
- B. Engineering Committee (Matt Jones, Chairman)
None
- C. Municipal Relations Committee (Craig Sykes, Chairman)
None
- D. Rules, Personnel Policies Committee (Linda Ames, Chairman)
None

IV. FINANCE REPORT (Pages 93-107)

Motion to approve the Finance Report was made by Commissioner Chris Mitchell, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT (Pages 108-126)

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Commissioner Matt Jones, second by Commissioner Chris Mitchell. 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 Coolidge Jr. High School to use Wilson Park (Page 127)

Motion to approve the request, as presented, was made by Commissioner Chris Mitchell, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

2. Request from Greater Madison County Federation of Labor AFL-CIO to hold the annual Labor Day event near Centennial Pavilion (Page 128)

Motion to approve the request, as presented, was made by Commissioner Matt Jones, second by Commissioner Chris Mitchell. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

C. Other

1. Thank you note from Friends of the Library (Page 129)
2. Letter from Niemeyer Design, LLC confirming final review of the structural repairs to the water slide structure in Wilson Park (Page 130)

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 26-19 approving final payment to Niemeyer Design LLC for structural repairs to the water slide structure at the Wilson Park Pool (Pages 131-132)

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Commissioner Matt Jones, second by Commissioner Chris Mitchell. All commissioners present voted “aye.” Motion carried.

2. Resolution 26-20 approving the purchase of 124 trash receptacles from Smart Industry Products as part of the 2026 PEP Grant (Pages 133-134)

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Commissioner Chris Mitchell, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. All commissioners present voted “aye.” Motion carried.

IX. PARK OPERATIONS (Page 135)

1. **Gardens Report (Page 136)**
2. **Recreation Report (Page 137)**
3. **Facilities Report (Page 138)**
 - Pool Report (Page 139)
 - Ice Rink Report (Page 140)
 - Concessions Report (Page 141)
4. **Golf Course Report (Pages 142-143)**

X. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Tennis Pickleball Courts

All Weather Courts was onsite today to inspect the small spots of concern. They will provide us with the appropriate touch-up material to keep on hand, as it appears the spots are strictly cosmetic.

Bradley found what we believe to be an affordable, low-cost option to improve the lighting on the courts. We hope to move forward with the project in the coming weeks.

Vandalism

We were notified by the Police Department very early this morning regarding four people in the pool. The police had the individuals in custody and wanted to ensure that nothing was damaged, so we responded to check the area. The individuals were taken home and issued no trespass notices.

Over the last two weeks, we have had two instances of vandalism to the restrooms located near the Universal Playground. We’ve had to replace a sink, paper towel holders, and toilet paper dispensers, along with the cleanup of deliberately clogged toilets.

Rotary Pavillion

Our insurance claim for wind damage to the Rotary Pavilion was approved. Our crew will demolish the structure in July. We are currently exploring replacement options.

It is estimated we will receive approximately \$20,000. The team is considering replacing the pavilion with a metal structure similar to what is at the Splash Pad.

Patriots In the Park

The fencing for the fireworks safety zone will be installed on Thursday, July 2nd. Due to the proximity of the safe zone boundaries, the playground will be closed from July 2nd through July 6th. The pool will be closed on July 4th, as it is not possible to safely test the fireworks equipment with people present near the launch area.

Sponsorship Update

Business, Organization, & Individual - \$40,653.00

Churches- \$1,922.69

Total- \$42,575.69

Saturday, July 4th

7:00 A.M. – 5K Run/Walk Registration (Pool Counter)

8:00 A.M. – 5K Run/Walk

6:00 P.M. – Local Churches (Main Stage)

7:00 P.M. – Shot Gun Creek (Main Stage)

9:15 P.M. – Fireworks

Sunday, July 5th

8:00 A.M. – Car Show Registration

8:00 A.M. – Co-Ed & Men's Slow Pitch Tournaments (Depends on teams)

10:00 A.M. – Vendor Fair (Near Diamond #5)

12:00 P.M. – Car Show Registration Ends

2:00 P.M. – Car Show & Vendor Fair Conclude

Upon completion of the Director's Report, Commissioner Chris Mitchell made a motion to enter Closed Session, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. The Board entered Closed Session at 6:16 PM. Motion to end Closed Session was made by Commissioner Chris Mitchell, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. Closed Session ended at 6:20 PM. Closed Session Minutes are provided separately. All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Matt Jones, second by Commissioner Chris Mitchell. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.

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