

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025 5:30 PM**

I. ROLL CALL

President Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were Don Harris, Jenna DeYong Craig Sykes, Linda Ames, and Matt Jones. Employees in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Maintenance Supervisor Bradley Boone, Recreational Programming and Communications Coordinator Megan Dittman, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, Gardens and Memorials Supervisor Freda Bolling, Recreational Programming and Security Coordinator R.P. Phelps, Golf Course Manager and Professional Steve Finn, Attorney Ryan Robertson, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor.

II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF APRIL 9, 2025 (Pages 788-791)

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Regular Board Meeting of April 9, 2025, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Jenna DeYong. All Commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 792)

- 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)

IV. FINANCE REPORT (Pages 793-807)

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

V. TREASURER'S REPORT (Pages 808-826)

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Jenna DeYong. 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. Ordinance #532 declaring certain Park District personal property as surplus and authorizing sale or disposal (Page 827)

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

IX. MAINTENANCE REPORT (Page 828)

X. GARDENS REPORT (Page 829)

XI. RECREATION REPORT (Page 830)

XII. FACILITIES REPORT (Page 831)

Pool Report (Page 832)

Ice Rink Report (Page 833)

Concessions Report (Page 834)

XIII. GOLF COURSE REPORT (Pages 835-836)

There will be a new 17U program for kids who have aged out of the 13U program. We are expecting a good turnout.

XIV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Tennis/Pickleball Courts

Our Maintenance Team recently painted all 15 of the light poles, which turned out to be a great improvement. The contractor is hoping to complete the fencing by the end of the week. The next phase of the project will be surfacing, which will take eleven to twelve work days to complete, weather permitting.

Worthen Park

They are continuing to complete drainage improvements throughout the park. Progress continues to be made on new structure that will house the restrooms, concession stand, press box, and pump room. It is now visible from Parkview Drive. The block walls for the building should be completed by early next week. The plumbing rough in for the building is complete and awaiting an inspection. The building will be on hold once the block walls are complete due to a delay in materials. During this delay, they are planning to start concrete flat work and continue with grading and the utility inspection.

Memorial Park

Yesterday morning, Bradley Boone met with Hydrodramatics to discuss some ongoing issues related to the fountain's operation. It was discovered that the entire vault contained an excessive amount of moisture. When the fountain failed to operate, the technician began looking at the fountain control panel, only to find that it had an excessive amount of mold growing inside.

We are waiting for direction from Hydrodramatics to determine what options are available to give us the best plan of action to proceed. The fountain will not operate until further notice.

Civic Rec

We are testing the software's components to ensure we are ready to begin rolling them out. We will offer registration in the office, i.e., summer recreation, pool rentals, passes, and swim lessons for whatever components we cannot properly test by early next week.

It is preferred that we launch all of the registrations above to eliminate having to input everything manually once the system goes live. We are trying to eliminate any potential problems before the launch.

JRB Meeting

Today I attended the Joint Review Board meeting at City Hall. The purpose of the meeting is for the City of Granite City to provide T.I.F. updates to all taxing bodies.

All taxing bodies received T.I.F. surplus/payment checks today. The Park District received a total of \$84,129.20.

Recommend to use some of these funds for parking upgrades along the road by the tennis courts.

City Wide Communication

Yesterday I, along with representatives from the Township, School District, Six Mile Regional Library District, and the City of Granite City met to discuss working together to disseminate our information jointly. This is in the early stages, but it is likely to be multifaceted in that it will have a booklet, YouTube channel, and podcast that we will all collaborate on to make our residents aware of the programs and services provided by each government entity.

The current communications will continue as well. The group will meet again in June.

Freda and her team have been working on a landscaping project in front of the building at Lincoln Place.

The bad part for the Ice Rink marquee is now obsolete. The company who came out to repair it has a fix/solution for the part and it will be covered under warranty.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. Meeting adjourned at 5:58 PM.

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