

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2022 7:00PM**

I. ROLL CALL

President Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were: Linda Ames, Don Harris, Craig Sykes, and Matt Jones. Commissioner Jenna Deyong arrived at 7:12 PM. Also in attendance were: Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Attorney Ryan Robertson, Recreational Programming and Security Coordinator R.P. Phelps, Recreational Programming and Communications Coordinator Megan Dittman, Maintenance Supervisor Bradley Boone, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, Gardens and Memorials Supervisor Freda Bolling, Golf Course Manager and Professional Steve Finn, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor.

II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 12, 2023 (Pages 733-735)

Motion to approve the minutes and attachments of the Regular Board Meeting of April 12, 2023, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried. Commissioner Jenna Deyong was not present for the vote.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 736)

- 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 737-749)

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. Commissioner Jenna Deyong was not present for the vote.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT (Pages 750-768)

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried. Commissioner Jenna Deyong was not present for the vote.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request for use of facilities

1. Request from American Legion Post 307 to hold the annual Memorial Day Program in Memorial Park on Monday, May 29, 2023 at 11:00 AM (Page 769)

Motion to approve the request, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried. Commissioner Jenna Deyong was not present for the vote.

2. Request from Granite City Girl Scout Troop 227 to use Centennial Pavilion on Monday, May 22, 2023, for roughly one hour beginning at 6:00 PM. (Page 770)

Motion to approve the request, as presented, was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried. Commissioner Jenna Deyong was not present for the vote.

B. Other Communications

None

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding annexations.

Attorney Ryan Robertson informed the Board that Juneau is working on the required maps. Once these are completed, the Board may approve an Ordinance to move forward. No action was taken at this time.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution moving the regularly scheduled meeting of Wednesday, May 2, 2023, to Monday, May 1, 2023 (Page 771)

Motion to approve the Resolution, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried. Commissioner Jenna Deyong was not present for the vote.

IX. MAINTENANCE REPORT (Page 772)

Commissioners complimented Bradley Boone and his team for exceptional work throughout Park facilities. Bradley's team also placed parking blocks along Niedringhaus School.

X. RECREATION REPORT (Page 773)

Megan and R.P. have recently identified a possible Summer Recreation Coordinator. The Baseball Parade is May 20. At this time, we await a vote by the Shriners to secure a band for the parade. The Marching Warriors are unavailable. R.P. and Megan have also recently identified an individual who is interested in the role of Tennis Coordinator and will be meeting with this individual soon.

XI. POOL REPORT (Page 774)

The paint delivery was delayed, however the pool walls have been painted. The team hopes to finish this project next week.

XII. ICE RINK REPORT (Page 775)

Preschool graduation will occur at the Ice Rink this year. There was wind damage to the roof of the Rink. Joey is obtaining repair bids.

XIII. CONCESSIONS REPORT (Page 776)

Equipment and supplies have been transferred from the Ice Rink to prepare for the baseball and pool seasons.

XIV. GOLF COURSE REPORT (Page 777)

The Golf Course has welcomed multiple new staff members. Cart use during this time period has doubled from last year and revenue is up by 50% over this time last year.

Thursday and Friday leagues will begin next week. Legacy will host a regional qualifying event for Southern Illinois Jr. PGA on Wednesday, July 12, 2023. There are 25 participants in Legacy's program so far this year.

XV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Memorial Park

Maintenance Supervisor Bradley Boone and I met with Contegra/Capri at Memorial Park to discuss a few items that weren't repaired last season by Hydrodramatics, a subcontractor.

Hydrodramatics installed most of the mechanics on the fountain.

We hope to have the fountain properly functioning by the end of next week.

Heartlands Conservancy

We met last week to discuss how our plan should come together based on the numerous ways they collect information from residents. This discussion was necessary to provide them with a better understanding of our operation so they can proceed with putting together our final price. The next grant cycle for MEPRD funds begins in July, which could provide a forty percent match if we get approved. Depending on the total cost, this project can be spread over two fiscal years if needed.

Civic Park

Recently, I met with Mayor Parkinson, Brenda Whitaker, Ken Rozell, and Rick Daily. The City hopes to do more electrical upgrades in the park to accommodate the Melting Pot, Concerts, and Christmas lights. The City will be responsible for the work and payment of the enhancements; once they determine the entire scope of work, they will provide me with additional information to share.

Cameras

Although all our cameras have been installed, we still have issues with everything functioning. Utilitra has conducted a considerable amount of troubleshooting only to determine our problems are related to the Verizon signals being throttled. We purchased unlimited data plans for the cameras to help with the signal due to their distance from the office. Once it was determined that Verizon throttles speed with a complete plan, I contacted them to see if we had any alternative options.

We await approval for an unlimited, unthrottled plan exclusively for government/public safety. Once approved for this option, our camera issues should resolve themselves.

Legacy- #6

We received one proposal for the cart path move near hole #6. Another contractor will be coming out soon to provide a second proposal. Once the second is received, we can proceed with the work, as it should remain under the bid threshold.

In addition to the cart path repair, the Park District plans to add some quick-growing trees near hole #6 to help with ball shielding.

Patriots In The Park

All sponsorship letters were mailed over the previous two weeks. The committee has begun receiving donations from these letters.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Don Harris. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

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