

GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT MINUTES

August 25, 2021

AGENDA

ITEM:

I. Roll Call

Commissioner Don Harris called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners answering roll call were Craig Sykes, Linda Ames, Matt Jones, and Don Harris. Also in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, Maintenance Supervisor Brad Boone, Golf Course Manager Brian Stitch Attorney Ryan Robertson, and Secretary Nicole Harris.

II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF August 11, 2021 (page 218-220)

Motion to approve the minutes, as presented was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

III. Committee Reports. (page 221)

A. Finance Committee-Commissioner Jenna Deyong, Chairman.

No Report

B. Engineering Committee- Commissioner Matt Jones, Chairman.

No Report

C. Municipal Relations Committee-Commissioner Craig Sykes, Chairman.

No Report

D. Rules, Personnel Policies Committee-Commissioner Linda Ames, Chairman.

No Report

IV. FINANCE REPORT (pages 222-235)

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

V. TREASURER'S REPORTS (pages 236-254)

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, as presented was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request for use of facilities

1. Request from Granite City Braves Football and Cheer Club to use the football complex at Worthen Park for the upcoming season set to begin on August 28, 2021 (page 255).

Motion to approve the, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

2. Request from Keishmata Strong to use a shelter in Wilson Park to serve at least fifty families with socks, mask covers, t-shirts, shoes, clothes, and school supplies (page 256).

Motion to approve the, as presented, was made by Commissioner Matt Jones, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

B. Other Communications

None

VII. Old Business

None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the fountain at Memorial Park (page 257-259).

NO ACTION

IX. MAINTENANCE REPORT (Page 260)

Duly Noted

X. FACILITIES REPORT (page 261).

Duly Noted

XI. POOL REPORT (page 262)

Duly Noted

XII. ICE RINK REPORT (page 263)

Duly Noted

XIII. CONCESSION REPORT (page 264)

Duly Noted

XIV. GOLF COURSE REPORT (page 265)
Duly Noted

XV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

Fireworks

I was recently notified by the School District they now have rubber roofing and solar panels on areas of GCHS and Coolidge. This presents a serious problem with the future location of our fireworks display due to the proximity of these buildings to the launching area. Fortunately, we have this information now, so we have more time to look at a possible solution.

Upon receiving this information, I notified Melrose Pyrotechnics to assist in determining a new possible launch area. The suggested new location is to launch the fireworks near the outfield of diamond #2. This location requires the carnival to be moved onto 29th Street. We are continuing to explore other possible options.

City

After comments made during the Mayor's Listening Series, I was contacted by Paula Hubbard, the Grant Writer for the city. The mayor mentioned he intends to develop a fishing pond and Universal Playground in the area between Stratford Lane and St. Clair Avenue. I have been asked to meet with the mayor and Paula tomorrow morning.

Arborist

An Arborist from Arbor Management Services is scheduled to come out on September 9th and assess the trees along State Street as discussed at our last meeting.

Recreation Supervisor Position

We will begin posting this position tomorrow via the Southern Illinois Parks and Recreation Association and the Illinois Parks and Recreation Association.

Recreation

- Signups are now underway for the Fall Pickleball Clinic. We are offering two different four-week sessions.
- Our Fall Coed program is also open for signups. So far, we have two new teams and one summer team returning. At least two more teams have requested information.
- Women's Fast-Pitch registration is now open. This is a new program to the Park District (previously played at Plummer Park in Edwardsville). Signups are done through the women's Fast pitch organization. Megan will be requesting a head count next week after more promotions have been done.

All business concluded. Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

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