

**AGENDA**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**  
**GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE**  
**2900 BENTON STREET**  
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2023**      **7:00 PM**

**ROLL CALL**

- I. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JULY 26, 2023.....pages 241-244**
- II. COMMITTEE REPORTS .....page 245**
- IV. COMMUNICATIONS**
  - A. Request for the use of facilities
    - 1. Request from Holy Family to use baseball fields.....page 246
    - 2. Request from the Greater Madison County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO to utilize the areas encompassing 29<sup>th</sup> Street in Wilson Park for the Labor Day Parade.....page 247
  - B. Other Communications
    - 1. Letter from the City of Granite City regarding MEPRD grant funds to make upgrades and improvements to Civic Park.....page 248
- V. OLD BUSINESS**  
None
- VI. NEW BUSINESS**  
None
- VII. DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

**IF PROSPECTIVE ATTENDEES REQUIRE AN INTERPRETER OR OTHER ACCESS ACCOMMODATION NEEDS, PLEASE CONTACT THE GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT OFFICE AT 618-877-3059 NO LATER THAN 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING TO ARRANGE ACCOMODATIONS.**

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2022 7:00PM**

**I. ROLL CALL**

President ones called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were: Don Harris, Jenna DeYong, Craig Sykes, and Matt Jones. Commissioner Linda Ames was not in attendance. Employees in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Recreational Programming and Security Coordinator R.P. Phelps, Recreational Programming and Communications Coordinator Megan Dittman, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, Maintenance Supervisor Bradley Boone, Attorney Ryan Robertson, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor. Also in attendance was a member of the community, Dan Klueskins.

**II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JULY 12, 2023**

Motion to approve the minutes and attachments of the Public Hearing of July 12, 2023, as presented was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Jenna Deyong. All commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes and attachments of the Regular Board Meeting of July 12, 2023, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Jenna DeYong. All commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

**III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 163)**

- 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 164-179)**

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 180-199)**

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 for use of facilities  
None
- B. Other Communications  
None

#### **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the addition of an Alamo Scout Memorial located near Veterans Parkway and Madison Ave.

Justin Brinkmeyer has conducted research as requested by the Board of Commissioners. He noted that the policies and procedures we establish in this situation will set the precedent moving forward. Justin recommended that Mr. Klueskins collaborate with a local veterans' organization to obtain a letter of endorsement for the proposed memorial project. Commissioners present discussed agreement with this proposed recommendation. Mr. Klueskins noted his understanding and agreement with the request. No further action was taken at this time.

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. THE COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 520 APPROPRIATING SUCH SUMS OF MONEY AS MAY BE DEEMED NECESSARY TO DEFRAY ALL NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2023 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2024 AND SPECIFYING THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES FOR WHICH SUCH APPROPRIATIONS ARE MADE, AND THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR EACH OBJECT OR PURPOSE (Pages 200-216)

Motion to approve the Ordinance was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Jenna DeYong. All commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

2. **ORDINANCE 521 PROVIDING FOR THE ANNEXATION OF ADDITIONAL TERRITORIES TO THE GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 3-10, ARTICLE 3 OF THE PARK DISTRICT CODE, AS AMENDED (Pages 217-233)**

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

**IX. MAINTENANCE REPORT (Pages 234-235)**

The Park District will be filing an insurance claim for tree damage to Shelter 4 and the Lohman Concession Stand in relation to the recent storms.

**X. RECREATION REPORT (Page 236)**

**XI. POOL REPORT (Page 237)**

The pool is wrapping up the fourth session of swim lessons next week. All party slots have been fully booked at this time.

**XII. ICE RINK REPORT (Page 238)**

The boards will be cleaned next month.

**XIII. CONCESSIONS REPORT (Page 239)**

**XIV. GOLF COURSE REPORT (Page 240)**

Steve was unable to attend tonight's meeting because he is at Legacy. Justin Brinkmeyer reported the golf course is hosting the PGA Jr. awards tonight. Legacy will host the PGA Jr. Golf Regionals next week and expect to have 120 teams participating. There will be food trucks at the event. July sales have nearly doubled from July of last year. The Park District plans to begin repairs on the main irrigation pump on August 7. The high school golf season also begins on August 7.

## **XV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **Fireworks**

I discussed with Pyrotechnico the lack of viewable fireworks from the main seating area. Sometime over the next few weeks, they plan to send out one of the show designers to see exactly what needs to happen to correct this problem fully. They may shoot off a few fireworks of different sizes to see exactly what will fix the problem. Although it was better this year than last, I was assured the height can and will be corrected if the opportunity is granted to them.

### **Storm Damage**

Maintenance Supervisor Bradley Boone and his crew have worked tirelessly to keep up with damage sustained from the storms over the last three weeks. We had damage throughout all of our properties. Wilson Park and Veterans Parkway had the most tree damage. In addition to the storm damage, ball field preparation and grass cutting continues.

### **St. Louis Cardinals Kids Clinic**

The St. Louis Cardinals will host their final Kids Clinic session of 2023 at Wilson Park on Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. The clinic runs from 8am-12:30pm. For the third year in a row we are completely sold out. The guest speaker this year is Ryan Helsley.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Craig Sykes. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.

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## Committee Reports

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|----------------------------|------------------------|
| A. Finance Committee       | Jenna DeYong, Chairman |
| B. Engineering Committee   | Don Harris, Chairman   |
| C. Municipal Relations     | Craig Sykes, Chairman  |
| D. Rules, Personnel Policy | Linda Ames, Chairman   |

Dear Justin and the Park District Board,

July 11, 2023

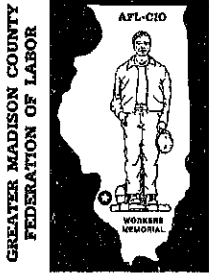
I would like to request that Holy Family be able to use the fields at Wilson and Worthen Parks for softball and baseball practices and games. We start practicing the first of August. Games begin mid August and finish games by the end of September. Thank you for your consideration.

Shelby Myatt  
Holy Family Athletic Director  
618-977-9399

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shelby Myatt".

# Greater Madison County Federation of Labor

## AFL-CIO



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Mike Fultz  
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July 28, 2023

DIRECTOR  
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT  
2900 BENTON  
GRANITE CITY, IL. 62040

Accept this letter on behalf of the Greater Madison County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO as request for permission for use of a portion of the park for our Labor Day Parade to be held on Monday, September 4, 2023. The request this year is for use of the park, the same as in the past. Typically (with permission from police dept.) we close off that portion of 29<sup>th</sup> Street that enters the park. The request is for use of the portion of the park that surrounds the area of 29<sup>th</sup> Street.

Further, for reservation and use of the round "pagoda" shelter. This shelter will be used for band entertainment and for those that will be speaking this year. Pending approval of the Park District, I will be in contact with you regarding accommodations for soda.

As more details of that event become evident, we will be in contact. Some other venues may include a petting zoo, face painting and other children-oriented programs.

Should there be any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at the above number.

Thank you in advance for your considerations.

Respectfully,

Mike Fultz

V. Pres. GMCF of L.





# City of Granite City

Granite City, Illinois 62040

**Mike Parkinson**  
*Mayor*

**Jenna DeYong**  
*City Clerk*  
July 25, 2023

**Shari Grim**  
*Treasurer*

Granite City Park District Board of Commissioners  
2900 Benton St.  
Granite City, IL 62040

INRE: Approval to apply for MEPRD Grant Funds for Improvements to Civic Park

Board of Commissioners,

The City of Granite City, with the approval of and in conjunction with the Granite City Park District, would like to apply for the Metro East Parks and Recreation FY2024 grant allocations for improvements to existing parks under the heading of their MEPRD Park and Trail Grant. More specifically, we would like to make improvements to Civic Park in the form of electrical upgrades, permanent bandstand/stage and sound system. This specific grant would not interfere, in any way, with the Park District applying for the FY2024 Community Planning Grant, which I understand the Park District may be in the process of writing.

I certainly appreciate the collaboration between the Park District and City in making Civic Park upgrades, in order that lighting for events, sound and staging can be made more efficient. Please consider this request, as we are needing your approval since we are renting this park green space. It is imperative that we complete this in a timely manner, as funding is on a first come first served basis. Should you want us to attend a Park Board meeting to explain the upgrade and improvements, please do not hesitate to ask.

Very truly yours,

Mayor, City of Granite City

Cc: Justin Brinkmeyer