

**TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING OF THE BOARD OF PARK
COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2022 6:30 PM**

President Jones called the hearing to order at 6:30 PM. Commissioners in attendance were Craig Sykes, Linda Ames, Don Harris, and Matt Jones. Commissioner Jenna Deyong was not in attendance. Also in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Attorney Ryan Robertson, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor. There were no members of the public in attendance.

Justin Brinkmeyer presented the following statement: The Granite City Park District deems it necessary to increase the levy by over 5% due to the expiration of the Granite City Downtown TIF, which results in a total overall number of the extended EAV.

With no additional questions or discussion, the hearing was closed at 6:58 PM.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2022 7:00PM**

I. ROLL CALL

President Jones called the meeting to order at 6:58 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were: Linda Ames, Craig Sykes, Don Harris, and Matt Jones. Commissioner Jenna Deyong was not in attendance. 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, Gardens and Memorials Supervisor Freda Bolling, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, Golf Course Supervisor Brian Stitch, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor.

**II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF
NOVEMBER 22, 2022 (Pages 505-509)**

Motion to approve the minutes and attachments of the regular board meeting of November 22, 2022, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 510)

- A. Finance Committee (Jenna Deyong, Chairman)
No report.
- B. Engineering Committee (Don Harris, Chairman)
No report.
- C. Municipal Relations Committee (Craig Sykes, Chairman)
No report.
- D. Rules, Personnel Policies Committee (Linda Ames, Chairman)
No report.

IV. FINANCE REPORT (Pages 511-524)

Motion to approve the Finance Report, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT (Pages 525-543)

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Request for use of facilities
 - 1. Request from Children's Home & Aid to hold the Kids & Cops 5K on April 29, 2023
(Page 544)

Motion to approve the request, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

- B. Other Communications
None.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. ORDINANCE 516 MAKING A TAX LEVY FOR THE GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT OF MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2022 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2023 (Pages 545-558)

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

2. ORDINANCE 519 DECLARING CERTAIN PARK DISTRICT PERSONAL PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING SALE OR DISPOSAL (Page 559)

Motion to approve the Ordinance, as presented, was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye."
Motion carried.

3. Resolution to purchase two maintenance vehicles (Page 560)

Justin Brinkmeyer noted that the vehicles are used and each have low mileage and carry factory warranties. Motion to approve the Resolution, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding 2023 rates

Justin Brinkmeyer noted that the proposed rates represent an approximate 10% increase over current pricing. Motion to approve the 2023 rates was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All commissioners present voted "aye."
Motion carried.

5. Resolution allowing the Park District to apply for Park Commission Funds from Madison County (Page 561)

Justin Brinkmeyer noted that this grant application is due prior to the next scheduled Board Meeting. Motion to approve the Resolution was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All commissioners present voted "aye."
Motion carried.

6. Resolution authorizing the Director of Parks to apply for the 2023 Madison County Sustainability Environmental Grant (Page 562)

Justin Brinkmeyer noted that the Park District applied for this grant last year as well. The application is due prior to the next scheduled Board Meeting. 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.

IX. MAINTENANCE REPORT (Page 563)

X. RECREATION REPORT (Page 564)

XI. POOL REPORT (Page 565)

XII. ICE RINK REPORT (Page 566)

Joey Hall noted that the Ice Rink will hold Holiday Public Sessions from 1-3 PM during the upcoming school break.

XIII. CONCESSIONS REPORT (Page 567)

Joey Hall has been working with Community Coffee on getting additional hot chocolate deliveries.

XIV. GOLF COURSE REPORT (Page 568)

XV. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Water Feature

Clarity Ponds began working Monday on the new feature in the garden. Multiple deliveries of large boulders started arriving Monday morning. The project work area is sectioned off by orange jobsite fencing. After the work they have completed the past three days, you can see one large rock formation/waterfall coming together. Due to the holidays and weather, it is likely the project won’t become fully operational until the end of January.

Disc Golf Pads and Shelter Sidewalks

Tindall Construction plans to start this project next week, weather permitting.

New Golf Cars

Our new golf cars are scheduled for delivery to our supplier tomorrow; they will be delivering to Legacy the first week of January.

Luncheon

We hope to see everyone tomorrow for our holiday luncheon at 12:15 pm at Legacy.

Rip Rap (Legacy)

The project looks great so far; it was done well. We are getting a price for an additional spot at the other end of the lake.

We are also looking into completing all shelter sidewalks in Wilson and other parks such as Loman.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Craig Sykes. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.

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