

GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT MINUTES

February 9, 2022

AGENDA

ITEM:

I. Roll Call

Commissioner Don Harris called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners answering roll call were Jenna Deyong, Craig Sykes, Linda Ames, Matt Jones and Don Harris. Also in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Attorney Ryan Robertson, and Secretary Nicole Harris.

II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF January 26, 2022
(page 615-620)

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

III. Committee Reports. (page 621)

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. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request for use of facilities

1. Request from Granite City Lutheran Churches to use the Wilson Park Ice Rink for Easter Sunrise Service on April 17, 2022 (page 622)

Motion to approve the Request was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Jenna Deyong. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

2. Request from Sister to Sister Outreach Ministries to host a Juneteenth event on June 18, 2022, from 8:00 AM until 6:00 PM at Tri-City Park.

Motion to approve the Request was made by Commissioner Jenna Deyong, second by Commissioner Craig Sykes. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried.

- B. Other Communications
NONE

- V. Old Business
NONE

- VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the lease of Civic Park (pages 624-627).

Motion to approve, as presented, was made by Commissioner Matt Jones, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. President Harris requested roll call. Secretary Nicole Harris called Roll. Jenna Deyong- "aye," Craig Sykes- "No," Linda Ames- "aye," Matt Jones- "aye," Don Harris- "No," Motion passed. President Harris requested that Justin Brinkmeyer and Ryan Robertson be in contact with the city to finalize all documents.

2. Resolution authorizing the Granite City Park District to apply for the Madison County Sustainability Environmental Grant (page 628).

Motion to approve, as presented, was made by Commissioner Jenna Deyong, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion Carried.

3. Resolution authorizing the Granite City Park District to apply for Park Commission Funds (pages 629).

Motion to approve, as presented, was made by Commissioner Jenna Deyong, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion Carried.

4. Resolution to award the bid to Utilitra for security cameras and service (page 630).

Motion to approve, as presented, was made by Commissioner Jenna Deyong, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion Carried.

President Don Harris made a motion to go into executive/closed session at 7:13 p.m. to discuss a Personnel matter. Motion to go into executive session by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Matt Jones.

Motion to return to Open Session was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Matt Jones. All Commissioners present voted "aye". Motion carried. Return to Open Session at 7:16 p.m.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

PEP Update

We are still in the process of receiving proposals and ideas for a new water feature to occupy the area of the dolphin pond. Currently, exploring the concept of a pondless feature means the water is not deep enough for fish, but you would still have the sound of water without the depth of a pond.

We are continuing to explore enhancing the garden area across from the gazebo with new landscaping and plants. Additionally, we continue to investigate the possible addition of irrigation throughout the planting beds in the garden.

With our reduction of over \$20,000 this year in PEP funds due to the decrease in census numbers, we will have fewer funds for the garden than we had initially hoped. PEP grants are due February 22, 2022.

Basketball

Practices are held Tuesdays and Thursdays while all games will be held on Saturday mornings. Our numbers are much lower than we had hoped. Last night was the first night of practices.

Vehicles

Another maintenance vehicle was taken out of service due to the age (2001) and expense required for repairs. Having enough vehicles for maintenance, gardens, and security continues to be a problem. This spring, the need will dramatically increase when all departments run at full throttle.

All business concluded. Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Matt Jones. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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 accommodations.

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