

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023 7:00PM**

ROLL CALL

President Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were: Craig Sykes, Don Harris, Linda Ames, and Matt Jones. Commissioner Jenna DeYong was not in attendance. Employees in attendance were: Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Attorney Ryan Robertson, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor.

I. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 25, 2023 (Pages 452-455)

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Regular Board Meeting of October 25, 2023, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All Commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE MUNICIPAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING OF OCTOBER 25, 2023 (Page 456)

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Municipal Relations Committee Meeting of October 25, 2023, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Craig Sykes. All Commissioners present voted "aye." Motion carried.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 457)

- 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. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request for use of facilities

1. Brightpoint (formerly Children's Home & Aid) would like to hold the 4th Annual Kids & Cops 5K at Wilson Park (Page 458)

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

B. Other Communications

None

V. OLD BUSINESS

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Halloween Festival

Despite the rain and cooler temperatures, we still had 800 children participate in the event on Saturday, October 28. Due to the weather, the food trucks and kettle corn vendor decided not to participate this year. We are already discussing 2024.

Extreme Team Gymnastics

Gymnastics Coordinator Belinda Bahn, Recreation Supervisors RP Phelps and Megan Dittman, and I have discussed moving all funds from the Extreme Team to the Granite City Community Area Foundation (GCACF). The Extreme Team conducts numerous fundraisers yearly to pay for competition participation and insurance for the participants. The Foundation would accept the fundraising deposits and issue payments as needed. This would remove all the fundraising of this program from being deposited into our account, which has been a recommendation of the auditors.

There is a 3% fee for administrative costs to the GCACF.

Tax Levy

Our tax levy is complete and will be on the agenda for our next meeting.

Fireworks

Pyrotechnico will be onsite Tuesday, November 14, at 5:30 PM to quickly demo a few different products to ensure they will provide viewing from our desired

areas. It is estimated that the demo will last ten minutes. We plan to post a notice on Facebook letting people know about the noise.

Shelter #4

Storm repairs were completed today by Stormfront Roofing.

Ice Rink

Due to the temperature, high humidity, and southerly winds, the ice quality has dramatically diminished. Facilities Manager Joey Hall notified the organizations scheduled for tonight that it would be best for us to credit them for the ice time to use before the end of the season instead of practicing tonight.

Potential Bond Projects

Please find the attached list of potential projects for issuance of General Obligation Bonds.

The Rip Rap project at holes 10 and 18 at Legacy are complete.
Picnic tables have been removed from shelters for winter repairs.
The office will be closed Friday, November 10 for Veterans' Day

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Linda Ames, second by Commissioner Don Harris. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

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