

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE  
2900 BENTON STREET  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024 7:00PM**

**I. ROLL CALL**

Vice President Sykes called the meeting to order at 6:58 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were Jenna DeYong, Craig Sykes, Don Harris, Linda Ames, and Matt Jones (virtual via phone). Employees in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Recreational Programming and Communications Coordinator Megan Dittman, Maintenance Supervisor Bradley Boone, Facilities Manager Joey Hall, Gardens and Memorials Supervisor Freda Bolling, Recreational Programming and Security Coordinator R.P. Phelps, Golf Course Manager and Professional Steve Finn, Attorney Ryan Robertson, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor.

**II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2024 (Pages 817-819)**

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Regular Board Meeting of April 10, 2024 was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All Commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

**III. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE CLOSED SESSION MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2024 (Page 820)**

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Closed Session Meeting of April 10, 2024 was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Jenna DeYong. All Commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

**IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 821)**

- 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

**V. FINANCE REPORT (Pages 822-836)**

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

**VI. TREASURER'S REPORT (Pages 837-855)**

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

**VII. COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Request to address the Board**

None

**B. Request for use of facilities**

- 1. The Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois- Granite City Troop would like to use Pavilion #6 in Wilson Park for a registration event (Page 856)

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

**C. Other**

None

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Ordinance #526 changing the regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners to be held at 5:30pm (Pages 857-858)

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

- X. MAINTENANCE REPORT (Page 859)**
- XI. GARDENS REPORT (Page 860)**
- XII. RECREATION REPORT (Page 861)**
- XIII. FACILITIES REPORT (Page 862)**
- XIV. GOLF COURSE REPORT (Pages 866-867)**
- XV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

#### **OSLAD Grant**

We received our finalized Grant Agreement, which means the clock has started ticking on the deadline of completion, April 2026. We are working with NuToys to have a layout and rendering to share for this project.

#### **Civic Park**

City of Granite City Grant Writer Paula Hubbard is awaiting additional information from IDNR regarding the possible grant award for electric upgrades and a new stage. Paula provided the attached photos of the prospective stage and roadway banner for the intersection of Niedringhaus and Grand.

#### **Window Install**

The new windows were installed on the back portion of the Main Office building. We had to special order two items: the front door and the window next to the front door. We are still waiting for them to arrive.

#### **Wood Carving**

I was contacted by an individual who would like to pay for a carving near Sykes Field. The desired carving is a Fast-Pitch Softball Pitcher. The individual has been in contact with a carver from Kentucky, who estimates it will take him two days of carving on-site to achieve the desired result.

#### **Appropriation Ordinance**

Our new fiscal year begins May 1st. I have started getting things together, but I am awaiting the new extension numbers from the county before I can determine our projections for the year ahead.

*Saturday, April 27*

Donut Run/Walk 5K- Shelter #5 at 8:00 AM

Disc Golf Ribbon Cutting- Near the airplane- 2:30 PM

*Sunday, April 28*

COPS Autograph Event- Ice Rink 1:00-3:00 PM

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Don Harris. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

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