

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2024 5:30PM**

I. ROLL CALL

President Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were Jenna DeYong and Craig Sykes, Don Harris and Linda Ames were absent. Also in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer and Facilities Manager Joey Hall.

II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 27, 2024 (Pages 808-811)

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Committee Reports and Regular Board Meeting of May 22, 2024, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Jenna Deyong. All Commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request to address the Board
None

B. Request for use of facilities

1. Request from Granite City High School for the use of Wilson Park on Saturday, September 7, 2024 for the Granite City High School Cross Country Invitational (page 72).

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

2. Request from Greater Madison County Federation of Labor to use Centennial Pavilion and Shelter #5 and #6 after the parade (page 73).

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

- C. Other Communications
None

IV. OLD BUSINESS
None

V. NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the Resolution, as presented, was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All Commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Patriots In the Park

Currently, we have raised \$29,118 for this year's celebration. Ultimately, we'd like to get as close to \$60,00 as possible. We are still awaiting payment from several pledges that will be coming soon.

Through Roy Boyer's work, we got Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductee and Journey member Jonathan Cain as one of our musicians this year for the main stage. This worked out since Journey is in town for a concert on July 6 at Bush Stadium. Jonathan will be one of the few performers we will have for the evening.

Pool Update

We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of American Leak Detection, which will be onsite on Saturday, July 15, to locate the pool leak. ALD will drill a series of small holes in the pool deck. Once the holes are drilled, they will inject a dyed gas to determine where the leak is coming from. Once they locate the leak, Capri Pools can begin the process of making the necessary repair(s) next week.

Summer Rec

Recreation Supervisor RP Phelps has received a few calls from parents regarding the upcoming heat wave and the lack of a swimming pool. RP shared that during the heat wave, the kids will have access to water stations, and they will be doing some fun and refreshing water activities, such as water balloons and slip 'n' slide races.

Legacy

Golf Course Manager Steve Finn notified me yesterday evening of an issue with a group of seven mid- to late teenage males who were stealing golf balls from

patrons on the course and throwing rocks. The on-duty manager confronted the group, and they took off running through yards on Rae's Creek. The police were notified.

Vandalism

Unfortunately, over the past two weeks, we have experienced several occurrences of vandalism here in Wilson Park. Last week, someone set a trash can in the Men's Room at the main concession on fire. In response, we have had to start locking the garden bathroom because the inside walls have been riddled with graffiti, or they tear the sink and other fixtures off the walls. Our Maintenance team is working diligently to repair the damages and prevent further incidents, but this has been consuming significant amounts of their time.

Since our last meeting, nine additional plants were stolen from the garden area.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Jenna DeYong, second by Commissioner Craig Sykes. Meeting adjourned at 6:03 PM.

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