

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE  
2900 BENTON STREET  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024 5:30PM**

**I. ROLL CALL**

President Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were Craig Sykes, Don Harris, and Matt Jones. Commissioners Linda Ames and Jenna DeYong were not in attendance. 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 AND COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 12, 2024 (Pages 74-80)**

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Regular Board and Committee Meeting of June 12, 2024 was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Craig Sykes. All Commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

**III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 81)**

- 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. FINANCE REPORT (Pages 82-97)**

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 98-117)**

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

#### **VI. COMMUNICATIONS**

##### **A. Request to address the Board**

None

##### **B. Request for use of facilities**

None

##### **C. Other**

None

#### **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. THE TENTATIVE COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SUCH SUMS OF MONEY AS MAY BE DEEMED NECESSARY TO DEFRAY ALL NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2024 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2025 AND SPECIFYING THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES FOR WHICH SUCH APPROPRIATIONS ARE MADE, AND THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR EACH OBJECT OR PURPOSE (Pages 118-132)

Motion to approve the TENTATIVE COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, as presented, was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All Commissioners present voted, "aye" by Roll Call. Motion carried.

2. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE TENTATIVE PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE (Page 133)

Motion to approve the Finance Report, as presented, was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Craig Sykes. All Commissioners present voted, “aye” by Roll Call. Motion carried.

**IX. RECOMMENDED NEW HIRES (Pages 134-135)**

**X. MAINTENANCE REPORT (Page 136)**

**XI. GARDENS REPORT (Page 137)**

**XII. RECREATION REPORT (Page 138)**

**XIII. FACILITIES REPORT (Page 139)**

**XIV. GOLF COURSE REPORT (Pages 143-144)**

**XV. DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

**Memorial Park Leak**

We are currently dealing with a significant issue at Memorial Park. There is a leak in the main water line that connects to the fountain and it has been causing us some trouble. As a result, we’ve had to shut off the water main until the repair is made. Our Maintenance Team has been working tirelessly to fill the fountain regularly with our water trailer. However, due to the wind, we’ve been losing large amounts of water, and the fountain shuts itself down if water levels get too low.

**Robertson Playground**

The Robertson Park Playground installation is progressing as planned. To ensure the best results, we have decided to engage the playground company for the installation, which is scheduled for August. This allows our Maintenance Team to focus on other essential projects and prevent a backlog of repairs.

**Patriots In the Park**

We are finalizing all preparations for this year’s event. Event fencing will go up in the Park beginning Tuesday, July 2 for the fireworks blast zone. The stage setup and all sound equipment will occur on Wednesday, July 3, and Thursday, July 4.

We have collected \$42,118.03 to date. We still have several outstanding pledges that will take us closer to our goal of \$46,000 to pay for the fireworks portion of the event. We are grateful to have several brand-new sponsors this year.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Don Harris. Meeting adjourned at 5:57 PM.

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