

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, MAIN OFFICE
2900 BENTON STREET
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2024 5:30PM**

ROLL CALL

President Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Commissioners answering Roll Call were Linda Ames, Don Harris, Craig Sykes and Matt Jones. Commissioner Jenna DeYong was not in attendance. Employees in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Justin Brinkmeyer, Attorney Eric Robertson, and Secretary Stephanie Koishor.

I. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JULY 24, 2024 (Pages 239-242)

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting of July 24, 2024 was made by Commissioner Don Harris, second by Commissioner Linda Ames. All Commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

II. MINUTES AND ATTACHMENTS OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF JULY 31, 2024 (Page 243)

Motion to approve the Minutes and Attachments of the Special Board Meeting of July 31, 2024 was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Don Harris. All Commissioners present voted, "aye." Motion carried.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Page 244)

- 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 to address the Board

None

B. Request for use of facilities

1. Request from Granite City Braves to use Worthe Park for Football practices and games for the 2024 season (Page 245)

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

2. Request from the Madison County Clerk's Office to use Brown Recreation, the Ice Rink and Lincoln Place for the General Election on November 5, 2024.

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

C. Other Communications

None

V. OLD BUSINESS

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Public hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Park Commissioners to sell not to exceed \$875,000 General Obligation Park Bonds for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District and for the payment of the expense incident thereto (Pages 250-259)

Entered into the public hearing at 5:31 PM. No members of the public were present for the hearing. Ended the public hearing at 5:38 PM.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Golf Course

Since the packet was mailed to Legacy Drive, Legacy Court, and Rae's Creek residents, I have heard from five residents concerning their frustrations with the rules. The biggest complaint among them is being unable to walk on the course.

Pool

Today was the final day of the regular pool season. The pool will remain open for Adult/ Senior Swim until Saturday, August 17th.

Office Window/Door Replacement

The subcontractor used by Tindall Construction to complete the door and window was terminated from our job. Tindall Construction is working to find a different subcontractor who will adequately complete the project.

Software Update

We will have another meeting with the software company Monday to ensure that all of our questions are answered and that we fully understand the general capabilities before making the final decision. I intend to present this decision at our next meeting for your approval.

Tree Trimming

Finazzo's Tree Service will remove several dead trees on the 27th Street island over the next week. Additionally, the team will trim a few others.

Carving

Check out the newest turtle carving near 29th Street and the Main Concession building. Brian Willis finished the carving earlier this week.

Halloween Festival

This year, the event will be held on Saturday, October 26th, from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM. We've reached out to previous groups with shelters and are eagerly awaiting their confirmation. Should we have any shelter openings, we have a few businesses already interested in participating.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Craig Sykes, second by Commissioner Don Harris. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 PM.

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