PEKIN PARK DISTRICT

Minutes of
The Regular Board Meeting of Park Commissioners
5:30 p.m. Thursday, August 27, 2026
Robert N. Blackwell Admin Building
Pekin, IL 61554

1. Call to order. President Dralle called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance. All stood to recite the pledge of allegiance.

3. Roll call.

   The following Commissioners were present: Gary Gillis, Greg Ranney, Sue McMillan, and Kyle Cain. Commissioners absent were: Mike Dralle, Kristen Walraven and Steve Sours. Also in attendance were: Cameron Bettin, Executive Director; Chip Hill, Business Manager/Board Secretary; Tony Maxison, Chief of Park Police; Alisha Dault, Miller Center Administrator; Shawn Powers, Superintendent of Recreation; Scott Clausen, Superintendent of Parks; Keith Knox, Parkside Fitness Manager; Casey Smith, Superintendent of Marketing & Communications; and Ericka Davis, Superintendent of Human Resources & Risk Management; and Michael Seghetti, Park District Attorney. Staff absent were: Cory Proehl, Director of Golf.

4. Additions to and/or deletions from the agenda, if any. None.

5. Public Comments: None.

6. Consent Agenda:

   A. Approval of the August 11 and 17, 2026 Special Meeting minutes, and the August 13, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes.

   B. Approval of the Bills and Payroll for 08/08/2026 to 08/24/2026 in the amount of $30,773.89.

C. Approval of Bills to paid 08/14/2026 in the amount $6,344.85.

Motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented or to accept all items in the Consent Agenda except the item withdrawn.

Move to accept all items in the Consent Agenda as presented:
Motion Sue McMillan; Second Greg Ranney.
All ayes by a voice call vote - Motion carried.

Motion to pass all items of business listed in the Consent Agenda by omnibus vote.

Move Greg Ranney; Second Kyle Cain.
All ayes by a roll call vote - Motion carried.

7. Park Foundation Representative Report: None. Meeting was canceled.

8. Executive Director's Update:
The ED mentioned that the River City Model Railroad Club sent the Park District their annual $500 donation as a thank you for use of the basement and read parts of their letter talking about the club and how it continues to grow. He also mentioned, along with the Supt. of Parks, some of the improvements that had to be made based on the Fire Department inspection. The ED said that the sign naming the Parks Dept. facility after Tom Elliott is being made and suggested having the unveiling on Sept. 10, the next Board meeting, before Marigold. He said he would reach out to the family to see if that worked for them. Commissioner Gillis asked if we abate our October bonds? The Park District attorney and Business Manager said that we do for some of them.

9. Attorney's Report: None.

10. Staff Reports:
The Park Police Chief mentioned that they are on top of the homeless camps that keep popping up at Railsplitters and Coal Miners'. Commissioner Gillis asked who makes you aware? The Chief said it is typically the public if they do not see it first.

11. Commissioner Comments:
Commissioner Gillis complemented the Manager of Parkside Fitness on the garden and mentioned that he has been keeping track of the pounds produced. We are up to 300 pounds produced for the season. Commissioners Cain mentioned the solar field that still has not been mowed. The ED said they sprayed again and talked to them about mowing and that he will reach out again. Commissioner Gillis asked if it is

up and running yet? The ED said no because they are waiting on Ameren and he would reach out to them. The Parkside Manager said mentioned that Ameren says the CT cabinets need to be changed. The solar company keeps having trouble with Ameren changing things. Commissioner Ranney asked if we have a contract about maintaining the grounds? The ED said he would look at it, it is in the contract. The broken panel was also asked about. That will get replaced when it is ready to be fired up.

12. Unfinished Business: None.

13. New Business:

A. Approval of Ordinance 26-7: An Ordinance Providing for Annexation of Certain Territory to the Pekin Park District (Lutticken)

Move to approve Ordinance 26-7:
Motion Greg Ranney; Second Kyle Cain.
All ayes by a roll call vote - Motion carried.

B. Approval of Resolution 26-10: A Resolution Authorizing Application for a Capital Assistance Grant for Paratransit Vehicle(s) Under the Illinois Department of Transportation's General Authority to Make Such Grants

Move to approve Resolution 26-10:
Motion Sue McMillan; Second Greg Ranney.
All ayes by a roll call vote - Motion carried.

C. Approval of Resolution Honoring Executive Director as previously submitted to board for consideration and to be presented at the September 10th board meeting
Move to approve Resolution Honoring Executive Director to be presented September 10th:
Motion Sue McMillan; Second Kyle Cain.
All ayes by a roll call vote - Motion carried.

14. Closed Session:

A. Move to convene into closed session under Open Meetings Act Section 120/2 (c) (6) to discuss the acquisition or lease of real property or the selling or rental price of real estate owned by the public body; and Section 120/2 (c) (21) discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

Motion Greg Ranney; Second Kyle Cain.
All ayes by a roll call vote - Motion carried.
Time: 5:52 p.m

B. Move to reconvene into open session.

Motion Sue McMillan; Second Kyle Cain.
All ayes by a roll call vote - Motion carried.
Time: 6:12 p.m

15. Move to approve the August 11 and 13, 2026 Closed Session Minutes.

Motion Kyle Cain; Second Greg Ranney.
All ayes by a roll call vote - Motion carried.

16. Adjourn:

Motion Sue McMillan; Second Kyle Cain.
All ayes by a voice call vote - Motion carried.
Time: 6:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted.
Chip Hill
Board Secretary, Pekin Park District