

MINUTES OF
THE NEW BOARD MEETING OF PEKIN PARK
COMMISSIONERS

6:00 p.m. Thursday, April 22, 2021
Robert N. Blackwell Administration Building
Mineral Springs Park, Pekin, IL 61554

1. Call to Order:

President Helm called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

Upon roll being called, the following Commissioners were present: Gary Gillis, Paula Helm, Marv Brown, Kyle Cain, Greg Ranney, Kristen Walraven and Sue McMillan. Also in attendance were: Cameron Bettin, Executive Director; Dori Smith, Board Secretary/Asst. to the Executive Director; Richard P. Wherry, Attorney; Chip Hill, Business Manager; Scott Clausen, Superintendent of Parks (attended by phone); Cory Proehl, Director of Golf; Shawn Powers, Superintendent of Recreation; and Keith Knox, Parkside Athletics Manager. Absent were: Luke VonDerHeide, Chief of Police; and Alisha Dault, Miller Center Administrator. Also in attendance was Michael Seghetti, Attorney. Press was not in attendance.

3. Swearing in and seating of Commissioners:

Richard Wherry swore in Greg Ranney, Gary Gillis, Sue McMillan and Paula Helm.

Commissioner Gillis noted that he is a history buff and is pretty sure that for the first time there is a female majority of the Board. Commissioner Brown welcomed Sue McMillan.

4. Election of Board President:

Commissioner Helm called for nominations for Board President.

Move to nominate Commissioner Marv Brown as President of the Board of Commissioners.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Greg Ranney All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

Commissioner Helm asked if there were any other nominations, hearing none she called for nominations to be closed.

Move to close nominations for President of the Board.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Greg Ranney
All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

Commissioner Marv Brown was elected Board President. President takes chair.

5. Election of Board Vice President:

Commissioner Brown called for nominations for Board Vice President.

Move to nominate Commissioner Kyle Cain as Vice President of the Board of Commissioners.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Greg Ranney All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

Commissioner Brown asked if there were any other nominations, hearing none he called for nominations to be closed.

Move to close nominations for Vice President of the Board.

Motion: Greg Ranney 2nd: Paula Helm All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

Commissioner Kyle Cain was elected Board Vice President.

6. New Business:

1. RESOLUTION 21-1

Move to approve Resolution 21-1 “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY UNTIL THE BOARD’S REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN 2022”.

Motion: Paula Helm 2nd: Kristen Walraven All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

2. RESOLUTION 21-2

Move to approve Resolution 21-2 “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A TREASURER UNTIL THE BOARD’S REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN 2022”.

Motion: Greg Ranney 2nd: Kyle Cain All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

3. RESOLUTION 21-3

Move to approve Resolution 21-3 “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ATTORNEY UNTIL THE BOARD’S REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN 2022”.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Paula Helm All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

4. RESOLUTION 21-4

Move to approve Resolution 21-4 “A RESOLUTION REQUIRING HONESTY BOND COVERAGE FOR PEKIN PARK DISTRICT EMPLOYEES, COMMISSIONERS, AND OFFICERS”.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Kyle Cain All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

5. RESOLUTION 21-5

Move to approve Resolution 21-5 “A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES FOR PEKIN PARK DISTRICT FUNDS”.

Motion: Kyle Cain 2nd: Paula Helm All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

6. RESOLUTION 21-6

Move to approve Resolution 21-6 “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTORS TO THE PEKIN PARK FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNTIL THE BOARD’S REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN 2022”.

Motion: Greg Ranney 2nd: Kyle Cain All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

7. RESOLUTION 21-7

Move to approve Resolution 21-7 “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING FOIA OFFICERS UNTIL THE BOARD’S REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN APRIL 2022”.

Motion: Paula Helm 2nd: Kristen Walraven All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

8. RESOLUTION 21-8

Move to approve Resolution 21-8 “A Resolution Expressing Appreciation for 41 Years of Service as The Pekin Park District Legal Counsel”.

Motion: Paula Helm 2nd: Greg Ranney All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

9. Discussion of May 15th Park tour meeting –

The Executive Director indicated he had concerns due to Covid guidelines. He indicated the park district only has a small bus now. He indicated he would have Dori Smith check with the City on renting a school bus. He indicated that he would like to meet shortly at the Administration Building then go on a tour. He noted he would like to review a Budget Summary Report and review updates to the Strategic Plan before touring.

10. Appointments to the Tazewell County Veterans Memorial Fair Association and Illinois River Valley Special Recreation Association –

Commissioner Brown indicated that he knew Sue McMillan was interested and she accepted the appointment to the TCVMFA.

Commissioner Gillis indicated that Greg Ranney was interested and he accepted appointment to the IRVSRA.

7. Adjourn:

Move to adjourn.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Paula Helm

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

Time: 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dori K. Smith, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Pekin Park District