



**PEKIN PARK
DISTRICT**

Minutes of

The Regular Board Meeting of Park Commissioners
6:00 p.m. Thursday, January 4, 2024
Robert N. Blackwell Admin Building
Pekin, IL 61554

1. Call to order.
President Ranney called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. and all stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call.
The following Commissioners were present: The following Commissioners were present: Mike Dralle, Gary Gillis, Sue McMillan, Greg Ranney, and Kyle Cain, Steve Sours and Kristen Walraven. Also, in attendance were; Cameron Bettin, Executive Director; Chip Hill, Business Manager/Assistant Board Secretary; Shawn Powers, Superintendent of Recreation; Scott Clausen, Superintendent of Parks; Casey Smith, Superintendent of Marketing & Communications; Keith Knox, Parkside Fitness Manager; Cory Proehl, Director of Golf; Tony Maxison, Chief of Park Police; Ericka Davis, Superintendent of Human Resources & Risk Management. Absent was Alisha Dault, Miller Center Administrator.
3. Additions to and/or deletions from the agenda, if any: None.
4. Public Comments: None.
5. Consent Agenda:
 - A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2023.
 - B. Approval of the bills and payroll for 12/19/23 thru 1/2/24 in the amount of \$88,877.13
 - C. Approval of bills to be paid 1/5/24 in the amount of \$20,213.88.

Motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented or to accept all items in the Consent Agenda except the item withdrawn.

Move to accept the Consent Agenda as presented:
Motion Gary Gillis; Second Kyle Cain.
All ayes by a voice call vote- Motion carried.

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

Move to pass the business items listed in the Consent Agenda by omnibus vote:

Motion Gary Gillis; Second Steve Sours.

All ayes by a roll call vote – Motion carried.

7. Executive Director's Report: The ED informed the Board that he was having knee replacement surgery on February 20 and will be out for two to three weeks, but working from home part of the time as well. He also asked Commissioner Gillis if he would take his place and talk to the American Association of University Women about the Park District at their February 21 banquet. Commissioner Gillis said he would. He also asked the Board to not talk about the donation for the Performing Arts Venue because it has not been formally announced yet by the committee.
8. Attorney's Report: None.
9. Staff Reports: None.
10. Commissioner Comments: Commissioner Gillis held up the recent issue of the IAPD/IPRA magazine that has a winter picture of the Pavilion and lagoon with people playing hockey on it. He recognized Casey Smith the a job well done.
11. Unfinished Business: None
12. New Business:
 1. Presentation of the 2024 Recreation Fund Budget.

The Superintendent of Recreation presented their budget, and highlighted any major changes to staffing, salaries, programming, fees, capital improvements, equipment and operations. Attached is the memo presented and reviewed with the Board. Commissioner Cain asked what color the new floor of DragonLand will be. The color will be a mix of teal and white. Commissioner Sours asked what the lifespan of a paddle boat is. It could be up to 20 years with repairs.
 2. Approval of Resolution 24-1: Resolution and Certificate of Incumbency for Lease Number 99001403-3 between Pekin Park District and PNC Bank, National Association for a 2017 Groundsmaster 3500D.

Move to approve Resolution 24-1.
Motion Gary Gillis; Second Kyle Cain.
All ayes by a roll call vote – Motion carried.

13. Adjourn.

Motion Gary Gillis; Second Sue McMillan.
All ayes by a voice call vote – Motion carried.
Time: 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted.

Chip Hill
Assistant Board Secretary
Pekin Park District