

PEKIN PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
6:00 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2023
Robert N Blackwell Administration Building
1701 Court Street, Pekin, IL 61554

1. Call to Order:

Vice President Ranney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

The following Commissioners were present: Marv Brown, Gary Gillis, Paula Helm, Sue McMillan, Greg Ranney and Kristen Walraven. Commissioner Kyle Cain was absent. Also, in attendance were; Cameron Bettin, Executive Director; Dori Smith, Board Secretary/Asst. to the Executive Director; Mike Seghetti, Park District Attorney; Chip Hill, Business Manager; Casey Smith, Superintendent of Marketing and Communications; Keith Knox; Parkside Fitness Manager; Steve Fitzanko, Chief of Park Police; Shawn Powers, Superintendent of Recreation; and Scott Clausen, Superintendent of Parks. Staff absent were: Cory Proehl, Director of Golf and Alisha Dault, Miller Center Administrator.

3. Additions to and/or Deletions from the Agenda, if any:

None.

4. Comments from the public:

Paula Helm (26 years) Marv Brown (24 years) were recognized for their years of volunteering their services as park commissioners.

5. Consent Agenda and Approval of the same:

- A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2023.
(Note: March 16, 2023 was cancelled – no minutes)
- B. Approval of the bills and payroll for 2/25/2023 thru 3/13/2023 in the amount of \$123,282.40 and 3/14/23 thru 4/3/23 in the amount of \$135,288.07
- C. Approval of bills that were paid 3/17/2023 in the amount of \$70,471.72 and will be paid 4/7/23 in the amount of \$63,202.92
Move to accept the Consent Agenda.
Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Paula Helm
All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

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

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Marv Brown

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

7. Executive Director Update:

The ED reported he had a meeting at the city of Pekin this afternoon regarding the City's Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan. He noted there was a steering committee and they will be posting information on the City's website. He noted that Josie Eskers, City Engineer would be hosting a public meeting from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. April 27th regarding the walk path along Stadium Drive.

8. Staff Reports: None

9. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Gillis commented that the electronic advertising sign on Parkway Drive had the old logo and asked about plans to update the logo. Commissioner McMillan commented that Learn to Skate is still being advertised. Superintendent of Recreation Shawn Powers commented that the sign is in "stuck mode" and needs maintenance. Cameron Bettin acknowledged that there were still some signs that needed to be updated due to the logo change.

Commissioner Gillis also commented that he had recently interviewed Director of Golf Cory Proehl and Superintendent of Recreation Shawn Powers for the What's the Story Pekin? Podcasts.

10. New Business:

1. Approval of Resolution 23-3 –

Cameron Bettin stated the Agreement was coming due in 2024. District #108 had inquired about allowing a broad band easement with I3 TV, so the two District's cleaned up the Agreement, attorneys reviewed, and it's before you as an updated simple lease agreement.

Move to approve Resolution 23-2 "A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Pekin Public Grade School District No. 108 for the Leasing of Property on the East and South Side of Wilson School".

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Paula Helm

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

11. Closed Session:

1. Convene into closed session for the purpose of the appointments, employment, compensation, discipline, dismissal, performance or personal status of the employees, officers and legal counsel for the park district and review of February 16 and March 2, 2023 closed session minutes.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Sue McMillan

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried (Time: 7:35 p.m.)

2. Move to reconvene into open session.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Sue McMillan (time: 7:35 p.m.)

3. Action on closed session:

A. Move to approve closed session minutes for February 16, 2023 and March 2, 2023

12. Adjourn:

Move to adjourn this meeting.

Motion: Paula Helm 2nd: Marv Brown

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

Time: 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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