

PEKIN PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
6:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 18, 2023
Robert N. Blackwell Administration Building
Pekin, IL 61554

1. Call to Order:

President Ranney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and all stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call:

The following commissioners were present: Kyle Cain (arrived 6:07 p.m.) Mike Dralle, Gary Gillis, Sue McMillan, and Greg Ranney. Also, in attendance were; Cameron Bettin, Executive Director; Dori Smith, Board Secretary/Asst. to the Executive Director; Michael Seghetti, Attorney; Cory Proehl, Director of Golf; Chip Hill, Business Manager; Casey Smith, Superintendent of Marketing and Communications; Alisha Dault, Miller Center Administrator; Keith Knox, Parkside Fitness Manager and Shawn Powers, Superintendent of Recreation. Staff absent were: Scott Clausen, Superintendent of Parks; Steve Fitzanko, Chief of Park Police; and Shawn Powers, Superintendent of Recreation.

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

4. Comments from the public: None

5. Speer Financial presentation of bids received for the sale of approximately \$155,100 Taxable General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023A and \$506,400 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023B -

Aaron Gold of Speer Financial reviewed the bids received. He reported three bids were received for each issue. He indicated the low bid received for the Series 2023A bond issue was Peoples National Bank of Kewanee, Kewanee, IL with an interest rate of 5.18% and Series 2023B bond issue was Busey Bank, Peoria, Illinois, with an interest rate of 5.08%. He recommended awarding the low bid received. Aaron Gold indicated the bonds generate an additional \$100,000 of new capital and will close November 2, 2023.

Approval of the low and recommended bid received for the issuance of approximately:

1. \$155,100 Taxable General Obligation Limited Park Bonds, Series 2023A –

Move to approve the low bid received from Peoples National Bank of Kewanee, Kewanee, IL at an interest rate of 5.18% at a price of \$155,100.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Mike Dralle

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

- 2.. \$506,400 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023B -

Move to approve the low bid received from Busey Bank, Peoria, IL at a rate of 5.088% at an amount of \$506,400 for General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023B.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Mike Dralle

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

6. Approval of Ordinance 23-3 -

Move to approve Ordinance 23-3 “An Ordinance providing for the issue of approximately \$155,100 Taxable General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023A, and approximately \$506,400 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023B, 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 Park District, to provide the revenue source for the payment of certain outstanding alternate bonds of the Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds the purchaser thereof”.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Sue McMillan

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

7. Consent Agenda and Approval of the same:

- A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of September 21, 2023 and October 5, 2023.
- B. Approval of the bills and payroll for 10/3/23 thru 10/16/23 in the amount of \$296,162.01
- B. Approval of bills to be paid 10/19/23 in the amount of \$60,925.04
- C. Approval of the September 2023 Treasurer’s Report.

Move to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Mike Dralle

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

- . Motion to pass the items of business listed in the Consent Agenda:

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

Motion: Sue McMillan 2nd: Gary Gillis

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried.

- 8. Executive Director's Report: No report
- 9. Staff Reports: None
- 10. IRVSRA Report:

Commissioner Ranney reported they met this week. He noted their meeting information had been included in board packets. He asked if anyone had any questions. Cameron Bettin mentioned they have a spaghetti dinner fundraiser schedule for this Friday they may have to cancel, a Peoria Rivermen fundraiser coming up and Sports Banquet will be back in January.

- 11. Tazewell County Veterans Memoria Fair Association Report: (TCVMFA)

No report. Cameron Bettin indicated the November meeting will be rescheduled from November 14 to November 21.

- 12. Pekin Park Foundation Report:

Commissioner Gillis noted they didn't meet because they had no actionable items.

- 13. Commissioner Comments: None
- 14. Unfinished Business: None
- 15. New Business:

- 1. Approval of the bids received for turf care products for Parkview and Lick Creek Golf Courses, Mineral Springs Park, and Pekin Sports Complex

Greg Funk, Superintendent of Golf reviewed the memo he submitted for the board packet regarding the bids received. He explained the

annual early order of turf products, the “agency priced material” and rebates.

Move to approve the bids received for turf care products in the amount of \$104,878.00 received from Heritage PPG and \$5,980.00 received from VanDeist Supply.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Mike Dralle

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

2. Approval of the Board of Commissioners Schedule of Monthly Board Meetings –

Cameron Bettin indicated that some Saturdays were included so that the Government Efficiency Act committee can meet.

Move to approve the Board of Commissioners Schedule of Monthly Board Meetings for Calendar Year 2024.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Sue McMillan

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

3. Approval of Resolution 23-15 –

Move to approve Resolution 23-15 “A Resolution Expressing Appreciation to Dori K. Smith for her years of dedicated service”.

Motion: Kyle Cain 2nd: Greg Ranney

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

There was a reception held with refreshments to express appreciation to Dori K. Smith for her 39 1/2 years of service. She was also provided with a framed copy of Resolution 23-15.

16. Closed Session:

1. Move to convene into closed session under Sec 2 (c)(1), appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance of dismissal of specific employees and Sec 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: Gary Gillis 2nd: Sue McMillan

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried (Time 7:00 p.m.)

2. Move to reconvene into open session.

Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Kyle Cain

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried (7:04 p.m.)

3. Move to approve the September 21, 2023 closed session minutes.
Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Sue McMillan
All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

17. Adjourn:

Move to adjourn this meeting.
Motion: Gary Gillis 2nd: Kyle Cain
All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried
Time: 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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