

Pekin Park District
Minutes of
The Regular Board Meeting of Park Commissioners
6:00 p.m. Thursday, November 2, 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 recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call.
The following Commissioners were present: Kyle Cain, Mike Dralle, Gary Gillis, Paula Helm, Sue McMillan, Greg Ranney, Steve Sours and Kristen Walraven. Also, in attendance were; Cameron Bettin, Executive Director; Shawn Powers, Superintendent of Recreation; Scott Clausen, Superintendent of Parks; Casey Smith, Superintendent of Marketing & Communications; Keith Knox, Parkside Fitness Manager; Alisha Dault, Miller Center Administrator; Cory Proehl, Director of Golf and Steve Fitzanko, Chief of Park Police. Absent was Chip Hill, Business Manager/Assistant Board Secretary.
3. Additions to and/or deletions from the agenda, if any. None.
4. Public Comments: None
5. Consent Agenda and Approval of the same:
 - A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2023
 - B. Approval of the bills and payroll for 10/17/23 thru 10/30/23 in the amount of \$613,704.
 - C. Approval of the bills to paid 11/3/23 in the amount of \$83,849.57

Motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented or to accept all items in the Consent Agenda except the item withdrawn.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 Sue McMillan
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 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: No report.

8. Attorney's Report: No report.
9. Staff Reports:

Shawn Powers asked the Board if anyone wanted to be in the Winter Wonderland parade. Commissioner Walraven indicated that her and her family would be in it. Commissioner Cain cannot. Commissioner Dralle said he would. The other Commissioners need to check and will get back to Shawn.

Cory Proehl mentioned that the bunkers project was done and that golfers are very happy. Commissioner Dralle thought it was great that the hockey kids helped out laying the sod.
10. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Gillis mentioned that he attended the IAPD Gala Awards Banquet. He also mentioned some discussions he had with IAPD staff about the bills they address every year with legislatures, the potential use of the Museum Tax and how it can be implemented, the number of Districts that applied for OSLAD, and the high number of property claims that IPARKS had this year.

Commissioner Ranney mentioned how he is always hearing positive things about the District and complimented staff on all their hard work. He also thanked Steve for his service as an officers and asked him about the recent damage out at the sports complex. Steve Fitzanko commented that since we turned the lights off at the skate park we have not had problems there, but that the problems have gravitated to the sports complex and they are increasing patrolling out there.
11. Budget Summary Report: July to September 2023
Cameron Bettin went through his memo and highlighted certain items. Attached to the minutes is the Budget Summary memo.
12. Unfinished Business: None
13. New Business: None
14. Closed Session:
 1. Move to convene into to 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; Second Sue McMillan
All ayes by a roll call votes – Motion carried (Time 6:27 p.m.)

2. Move to reconvene into open session.
Motion Gary Gillis; Second Mike Dralle
All ayes by a roll call vote – Motion carried (Time 7:45 p.m.)
 3. Move to approve the October 18, 2023 closed session Minutes.
Motion Gary Gillis; Second Sue McMillan
All ayes by a roll call vote – Motion carried
 4. Move to approve the use of accumulated IMRF sick time per the Employee Handbook until November 17, 2023 by employee Steve Stout.
Motion Mike Dralle; Second Steve Sours
All ayes by a roll call vote – Motion carried
15. Adjourn.
Move to adjourn this meeting.
Motion Gary Gillis; Second Sue McMillan
All ayes by a voice call vote – Motion carried
Time: 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cameron Bettin
Executive Director
Pekin Park District