

PEKIN PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
6:00 p.m. Thursday, June 28, 2018
At the Mineral Springs Park Robert N. Blackwell Administration Building
1701 Court Street, Pekin, IL 61554

1. Call to Order: President Gillis 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: Marv Brown, Kyle Cain, Gary Gillis, Paula Helm, Greg Maloney, Scott Price, and Kristen Walraven. Also in attendance were; Cameron Bettin, Executive Director; Dori Smith, Board Secretary/Asst. to the Executive Director; Richard Wherry, Park District Attorney; Scott Clausen, Superintendent of Parks; Cory Proehl, Director of Golf; Shawn Powers, Superintendent of Recreation; and Rich Hallam; Business Office Manager. Staff absent were: Alisha Dault, Miller Center Administrator; Tom Conlin, Chief of Police/Ranger Division; and Keith Knox, Parkside Athletics Manager. Press was not in attendance.

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

None.

4. Comments from the public:

None.

5. Approval of the renewal quotation received from IPARKS –

Pat Taphorn from the Unland Companies stated that the premium was quoted with a 10% discount and a three year fixed premium rate. He asked if anyone had questions.

Move to approve the renewal quotation received from Illinois Parks Association Risk Services in the amount of \$142,595 for the district's liability/property/cyber security insurance coverage.

Motion: Marv Brown 2nd: Kristen Walraven

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried

6. Approval of the renewal quotation received from IPRF –

Pat Taphorn from the Unland Companies explained the rate increase due to an 88% loss ratio over a five-year period. He explained that it is due to

big losses not frequency of losses or lack of safety precautions. He noted that he would seek additional quotes at the next renewal.

Move to approve the renewal quotation received from the Illinois Public Risk Fund for the District's workers' compensation insurance coverage in the amount of \$100,255.

7. Recognition of Tom Lerczak of the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission –

Cameron Bettin recognized Tom Lerczak for his hard work and dedication in helping the park district establish Land and Water Reserve areas in McNaughton, Dirksen and Independence Parks. Tom will be remembered by the park district with a tree planting honoring his dedication. Tom is to retire from the State of Illinois June 29th.

8. Consent Agenda and Approval of the same:

- A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2018.
- B. Approval of the May Treasurer's Report.
- C. Approval of the Bills and Payroll for 06/12/18 thru 06/25/18 in the amount of \$294,958.35
- D. Approval of bills to paid 6/29/18 in the amount of \$44,644.71

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

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

Move to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion: Paula Helm 2nd: Greg Maloney

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

9. 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 as stated in the meeting agenda.

Motion: Scott Price 2nd: Greg Maloney

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried.

10. Budget Performance Summary Report: May 2018

The ED reviewed the May Budget Performance Summary Report. He noted that the General Fund was in a better position due to the final

Replacement Tax payment received. He also noted that the Recreation Fund picked up and was doing better. He noted that DragonLand had a prosperous Memorial Day weekend opening. He noted that the Police Fund was a little better and that the Special Populations Fund was doing better as well. He reported that the Golf Fund is struggling due to a bad April and that May was not much better. He also noted that the Racquet and Health Fund was worse than April and reminded all that the Fitness Director position had been cut as of July 1, 2018.

11. IRVSRA Representative Report:

President Gillis stated no meeting – no report. Cameron Bettin reported that after the last Board meeting he took Commissioners Walraven and Price to check out the IRVSRA Recreation Center. He noted that he had hoped to have the Board meeting in the new room so everyone could see it. He then reported that chunks of concrete had fallen from the ceiling and the room had to be closed off. He also reported that plans were in progress to hang a drop plywood ceiling with insulation applied over the plywood.

12. Fair Board Representative Report:

Commissioner Maloney reported that the next meeting was scheduled for July 17th and that the meeting would be held at the Arena for the annual pre-fair walk through.

13. Pekin Park Foundation Report:

Commissioner Gillis reported that no meeting was held due to lack of a quorum. He noted that they did spend some time brainstorming fundraising ideas. He also reported that Run a Muck had 165 runners and made \$4,000 in fees and sponsorships.

14. Executive Director's (ED) Report:

The ED reported that he had received an email invite from Enjoy Peoria Area Happy Half Hour and he and Shawn Powers are going to be interviewed next Tuesday regarding what the Pekin Park District has to offer this summer.

Commissioner Maloney asked if there was any way to go farther by the Arena with the chip sealing. The ED answered no because we have to patch areas first before chip sealing and the patch has to set for several months first.

15. Attorney's Report:

No report.

16. Staff Reports:

None.

17. Commissioner Comments:

None.

18. Unfinished Business:

1. Approval of an Agreement Between the City of Marquette Heights and the Pekin Park District –

The ED noted minor changes made to the Agreement in Sections 8 and 11.

Move to approve the Agreement between the City of Marquette Heights and the Pekin Park District for fire protection of District's Independence Park.

Motion: Scott Price 2nd: Paula Helm

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

2. Approval of Resolution 18-12 -

Move to approve Resolution 18-12 "A Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Execution of an Agreement for Fire Protection of Independence Park Between the City of Marquette Heights and the Pekin Park District".

Motion: Scott Price 2nd: Kyle Cain

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried.

3. Discussion on the request received from Ameren Illinois to re-route transmission lines work along the bike trail from Tazewell Road to Allentown Road –

Cameron Bettin noted that a memo regarding Ameren's request to reroute the transmission line along the Pekin Bike Trail had been sent in packets. He indicated that their request is to increase their 60' wide easement corridor to 100' wide. It was also noted that the transmission lines traverse over homes in the area. In addition to removal of vegetation and installation of the new transmission lines Ameren will also be replanting and incorporating educational,

interpretive signs of what has been planted. They are also offering compensation per acre. The negatives and positives were discussed. It was also noted that this section of trail would need to be temporary closed. It was also indicated that the park district would conduct a public hearing to received input from park district residents before a decision is made. After discussion, it was agreed that the Executive Director should move forward with discussions with Ameren regarding their request.

Move to authorize the Executive Director to move forward with discussions with Ameren regarding their request to reroute a transmission line along Pekin Bike Trail.

Motion: Scott Price 2nd: Marv Brown

Up roll being called Commissioners Brown, Gillis, Helm, Maloney, Price and Walraven voted aye and Commissioner Cain voted nay – motion carried

4. Discussion of potential discount policy for Veterans.

Cameron Bettin noted that a memo regarding active military and veteran's discounts had been sent in the meeting packets. He noted that at the April 26th meeting the Board discussed what other area park districts are doing regarding active military and veteran discounts, as well as what the park district currently is doing and what maybe should be considered. Commissioner Price stated that he was appreciative of the possible program outlined in the memo. There was discussion regarding the potential impact of increased discounts and the number of active military on leave or living in the area and the numbers of Veterans the discounts will affect. Cameron Bettin indicated that he would like to meet with staff to receive their input and work on what the financial impact might be.

19. New Business:

1. Approval of Resolution 18-11 –

Move to approve Resolution 18-11 “A Resolution Directing the Filing of the Combined Annual budget and Appropriation Ordinance in Tentative Form and Setting a Date for a Public Hearing”.

Motion: Kyle Cain 2nd: Scott Price

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried.

20. Executive Session:

1. Convene into Executive Session

Move to convene into executive session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or litigation or personal status of employees, officers and legal counsel for the park district and review of Executive Session Minutes.

Motion: Scott Price 2nd: Paula Helm

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried.

Time: 6:35 p.m.

2. Reconvene into Open Session –

Move to reconvene into open session.

Motion: Kyle Cain 2nd: Scott Price

All ayes by a roll call vote – motion carried.

Time: 7:42 pm

3. Action on Executive Session, if any.

Move to approve the June 14, 2018 Executive Session Minutes.

Motion: Scott Price 2nd: Kristen Walraven

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

Move to approve an employee's request to gift 40 hours of vacation days and 40 hours of sick days to an employee due to the continuous/numerous days of leave of absence for a serious health condition.

Motion: Greg Maloney 2nd: Kyle Cain

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

21. Adjourn:

Move to adjourn this meeting.

Motion: Scott Price 2nd: Paula Helm

All ayes by a voice call vote – motion carried

Time: 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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