

RESOLUTION NO. 11 – 1

A Resolution Approving a Gifting Policy for the Pekin Park District

Whereas, at the Pekin Park District's request, (the "District") the Pekin Park District Foundation, (the "Foundation") has developed a draft of a policy to be used by the Pekin Park District Board of Park Commissioners and District Staff in the acceptance of gifts and memorials to the District; and

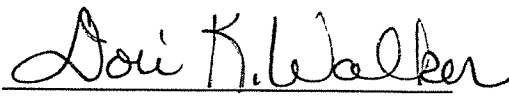
Whereas, the Pekin Park District Board of Park Commissioners, (the "Board") has reviewed and revised the draft of the policy as presented by the Foundation, a copy of which is attached as "Exhibit A"; and

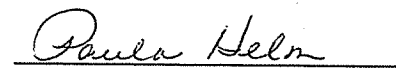
Whereas, the Board finds that the policy as presented by the Foundation and as revised by the Board, is necessary and is in the best interests of the District for the acceptance of all future gifts to the District.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Board of Park Commissioners of Pekin Park District, Tazewell and Peoria Counties, Illinois, as follows:

1. That the Gifting Policy attached hereto as "Exhibit A", be and the same is hereby approved in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A".
2. That the President and Secretary of the Board of Park Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to sign this Resolution in the form submitted and to submit a copy of the approved Gifting Policy to the Foundation to be used as a guide in the acceptance of all future gifts to the District.

ADOPTED this 27th day of January, 2011, by the Board of Park Commissioners of Pekin Park District, Tazewell and Peoria Counties, Illinois.


Secretary


President

PEKIN PARK DISTRICT GIFTING POLICY

Statement of Purpose

The Pekin Park District has long been the beneficiary of gifts and donations from members of the community. In addition to gifts from businesses and other governmental entities, the generosity of individuals is often in the form of a memorial or an honorarium to an individual or an organization. In order to be fair to all who wish to express their generosity in this way, and to attend to the needs of the Pekin Park District and the community, the long range plans of the Pekin Park District, and the general public good, these policies are adopted as guidelines for review of gift requests. The goal of these guidelines is to treat future donors fairly and impartially, and to comply with the long range goals of the Park as to appearance, policies and programs of our Pekin Parks.

Beliefs

The Pekin Park District must consider gifts in the context of how they address the varied recreational responsibilities of the district. Memorials, special recognition, or anonymous offerings separate from those already agreed to by the District will be considered, but emphasis should be given to how the gift reinforces or enhances the mission of the Pekin Park District.

Gift Catalog

The Pekin Park Foundation has implemented a Gift Catalog which highlights specific gifts that meet park needs and goals. Donors are encouraged to examine this Gift Catalog to determine whether an individual gift can satisfy a stated need in the Catalog. The Catalog also outlines the possibility of a gift that can be invested in order that its earnings provide ongoing long-term support to a specific project or to the Pekin Park Districts future endeavors. Prospective donors are encouraged to access the Gift Catalog through the Park District website or at the Pekin Park District Administration Office.

Gifts Outside the Catalog

Donors who wish to make a gift which is not listed in the Gift Catalog should notify the Pekin Park Foundation of their proposal. They are encouraged to specifically outline their proposal, the reason for making it, any specific location where they request it to be placed, and their means for both immediate and long-range financing of the project. The Foundation will meet with the donor to consider an agreement consistent with the long range plans and goals of the Pekin Park District, and these gifting policies. The Park District must approve any Agreement the Foundation has with a donor.

Special Memorials/Recognition: Donors often wish to honor an individual by a specific gift to the Park District. These gifts may be proposed and considered at a time of understandable emotion. Knowing that the gift may be in place for generations, the Pekin Park Foundation and the Pekin Park District will generally impose a minimum of one year moratorium from the date of the honoree's passing or the date of the specific accomplishment for which recognition is being given before considering any such gift. Making these decisions at a less emotionally charged time assures equal treatment to all, and is considerate of the needs of both the public and the donor.

Statuary, Markers, and Plaques: Donors may wish to name individuals by proposing permanent placement of statuary, markers, and plaques. The Park District has an understandable interest in assuring that such recognitions do not create the need for ongoing additional landscaping costs nor take up valued open space availability or space for proper placement. Careful consideration will be given to the historical context of the honoree's contribution to our community and to the Pekin Park District. While statues of individuals are discouraged, special consideration may be given to national, world, or State leaders after the moratorium set forth herein, and in accordance with the goals and responsibilities of the Park.

Online Recognition

As a result of the considerations set forth hereinabove, the Pekin Park District and the Pekin Park Foundation will strive to develop appropriate on-line sources of recognition and honor. Such recognition could include more information and a better definition of the honoree's commitment to the Park District and the betterment of the community.

Naming Rights

Careful consideration and deliberation will be given to the issue of naming a Park, a facility, or any location or aspect of the Park District after an individual or organization. Consideration will be given to the financial support of the interested party, and short-term or long-term cost to the Park District, and the appropriateness of the title or designation in light of all of the considerations set forth in these policies. Decisions will, to the extent possible, take into consideration issues of political correctness, local sensitivities, and the appropriateness of the decision in a historical context.

Guiding Philosophy for Policy

Any issue or item not specifically referenced by these guidelines shall be subject to the use and application of Pekin Park Board of Commissioners whose decision should be guided by the spirit of objectivity, non-partisanship and the culture and history of the Park District.