

Pekin Park Foundation

Minutes of the November 21, 2022 Director's Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President, Gary Gillis, at 4:00 p.m. This meeting was held in person at the Park District Board room. Directors present were: Cameron Bettin, Kyle Cain, Scott Kriegsman, Jim Ruth, Jack Steger and Dennis Green. Absent was Director, Buster Hanley.

Also present were Treasurer, Chip Hill along with members of the Performance Arts Venue Committee, Amy Wilson, Rich Kriegsman, Greg Springborn and Amy McCoy.

The Performing Arts Venue Committee made a presentation explaining the status of their efforts to develop a plan for constructing a performance venue. It is their goal to be ready to speak to the Park Board by December 1st. The 15 member committee would like to raise funds for construction and maintenance of the proposed facility. A concept drawing was presented for consideration. It was reported that the committee had viewed a similar structure in Pontiac, Illinois and consulted with local sound expert, Jerry Milam. They are currently searching for funds and finalizing costs, hoping to have a budget ready in 2-3 weeks.

A motion was made by Jim Ruth and seconded by Jack Steger to approve the project as presented and recommend that it be presented to the Park Board. Motion carried.

Minutes

Scott Kriegsman moved to approve the minutes for the October 17, 2022 Regular Meeting. Kyle Cain seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Chip provided the Treasurer's Report in advance of the meeting that accounted for fund balances totaling \$950,860.91 as of 11/21/2022.

The fund balances were as follows: Vanguard Escrow Acct. \$510,042.80; Miller Center \$218,546.64; James Field \$7,160.77;MPTF Concert Band Grant \$0.00; Larry's Casting Kids \$2,400.13; Depot Restoration Fund \$500.00;Performance Shelter Fund \$3,240.00; Arena Zamboni Replacement Fund \$19,969.52;Sundial Maintenance \$0.00;Restricted for Benches, Plaques, Pavers, etc. \$13,863.01; Baseball Fund (Barry Miller Memorial)\$434.65; IRVSRA \$0.00; Restricted for Parkside \$500.00; Steve Funk Junior Golf \$19,893.73; Terri Gambetti Scholarship Fund \$6,097.25; Tom Elliott Park Improvement and Enhancement Fund \$1,674.39; Foundation Endowment \$510,042.80; Miller Center Trip Fund \$0.00; Dog Park Improvement Fund \$3,016.44 and Unrestricted Funds \$143,521.58.

One bill was presented for approval this month.

A bill was presented by the Farnsworth Group in the amount of \$1,760.00 as payment for Professional Services --- Performance Shelter with payment coming from the Restricted Performance Shelter account.

A motion was made by Kyle to pay the bill and approve the Treasurer's Report with a second by Jim. Motion carried

Public Comment

No one was present from the public.

Old Business

A. Sunken Gardens Fountain Improvement Project ---- Gary, Cameron and Mark Luft met with Tony Howard representing Carle Clinic to share information regarding the upcoming project and gauge the hospital's

interest in providing financial support. No response has been forthcoming at the time of this meeting.

New Business

A. Approval of the 2023 Meeting Schedule --- A motion was made by Scott and seconded by Jim to approve the 2023 meeting schedule for the Foundation Board as distributed. Motion carried.

With no further business to come before the Board, Gary called for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Green, Secretary

Next Meeting: December 19, 2022

