

Pekin Park Foundation

Minutes of the March 20, 2023 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 Boardroom. Directors present were: Cameron Bettin, Kyle Cain, Gary Gillis, Dennis Green, Scott Kriegsmann and Jim Ruth. Absent were Directors, Buster Hanley and Jack Steger.

Also present was Treasurer, Chip Hill.

Minutes

Jim Ruth moved to approve the minutes for the January 18, 2022 Regular Meeting, as presented. {It was noted that the February meeting had been cancelled}. 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 \$966,514.34 as of 3/20/2023.

The fund balances were as follows: Vanguard Escrow Acct. \$751,895.41 Miller Center \$207,719.13; James Field \$7,160.94;MPTF Concert Band Grant \$0.00; Larry's Casting Kids \$2,400.13; Depot Restoration Fund \$500.00;Performance Shelter Fund \$9,750.00; Arena Zamboni Replacement Fund \$37,969.52;Sundial Maintenance \$0.00;Restricted for Benches, Plaques, Pavers, etc. \$14,703.01; 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 \$6,597.25; Tom Elliott Park Improvement and Enhancement Fund \$1,674.39; Foundation Endowment \$600,000.00; Miller Center Trip Fund \$0.00; Dog Park Improvement Fund \$3,016.44 and Unrestricted Funds \$54,194.51. Chip reviewed commitments the Foundation has with various groups, including the purchase of a Zamboni for the Ice Rink and the status of the Performance Arts Venue.

Scott moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Kyle seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Three bills were presented for payment. A request for reimbursement to the Pekin Park District from the Miller Center Fund amounted to \$4,277.19 for purchase of A/V Equipment. The second was also a request from the Pekin Park District for a \$25,000.00 reimbursement for making the down-payment on the Zamboni to be paid from the Zamboni Replacement Fund while the third bill was for \$715.00 to be paid to the Pekin Park Concert Band from the General Fund for the Todd Campbell Memorial.

Kyle moved to pay the bills. Jim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment

No one was present from the public.

Old Business

- A. Foundation Project Commitment Update --- This information was provided by the Treasurer as part of his report.
- B. Sunken Garden Fountain --- The conversation with the hospital regarding participation in the renovation project continues.
- C. Marketing Campaign --- Gary offered to prepare a letter to be included with the brochure for distribution.

New Business

A. Future Park Projects for Foundation Consideration --- The Fountain Renovation and the improvement of neighborhood parks were two areas offered up by Cameron for Foundation consideration.

B. Discussion of Potential Foundation Participation in 2024 Pekin Bicentennial Celebration --- Gary reported on the need to record and publicize Pekin's history. He discussed the possibility of sponsoring one big event in the park to celebrate the occasion.

With no further business to come before the Board, Gary called for a motion to adjourn. Scott moved to adjourn the meeting with a second by Jim. The motion to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Green, Secretary

Next Meeting: April 17, 2023

