

Pekin Park Foundation

Minutes of the May 15, 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, Buster Hanley, Scott Kriegsman, Jim Ruth and Jack Steger.

Also present was Treasurer, Chip Hill.

Minutes

Jim Ruth moved to approve the minutes for the April 17, 2023 Regular Meeting, as presented. Scott Kriegsman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Annual Meeting

President Gillis called for the Election of Officers for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year.

Scott Kriegsman presented a slate of officers that was seconded by Jack Steger:

Gary Gillis, President; Scott Kriegsman, Vice President and Dennis Green, Secretary

Roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. Having completed the business of the Annual Meeting, President Gillis returned to the Regular Meeting business.

Treasurer's Report

Chip provided the Treasurer's Report in advance of the meeting that accounted for fund balances totaling \$971,857.97 as of 5/15/2023.

The fund balances were as follows: Vanguard Escrow Acct. \$772,266.26; Miller Center \$207,719.94; 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 \$9,750.00; Arena Zamboni Replacement Fund \$37,969.52;

Sundial Maintenance \$0.00; Restricted for Benches, Plaques, Pavers, etc. \$16,393.01; Baseball Fund (Barry Miller Memorial) \$434.65; IRVSRA \$0.00; Restricted for Parkside \$500.00; Steve Funk Junior Golf \$19,224.73; Terri Gambetti Scholarship Fund \$6,329.95; 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 \$58,784.44.

Dennis moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Scott seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Five bills were presented for payment totaling \$16,786.30. Two bills were presented by Pekin Park District for reimbursement from the General Fund. One in the amount of \$15,500 was for reimbursement for payment to Terra Engineering for Sunken Garden Design while second request was for Reimbursement in the amount of \$350.00 as payment to ERMS Law for work on the tax-exempt status. The next two payments are to be made from the Junior Golf Fund. A bill from Preferred Product Group was presented in the amount of \$568.00 for Junior Golf Hats. The second bill in the amount of \$101.00 from Allegra was for Sponsor Signs for the Funky Monkey Golf Outing. The final bill was presented as reimbursement to Pekin Park District from the Terri Gambetti Scholarship Fund amounting to \$267.30 to cover First Quarter 2023 Scholarship Use. Jack made a motion, seconded by Buster to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment

No one was present from the public.

Old Business

A. Performing Arts Venue Update --- Cameron discussed the fundraising campaign and reported that the committee will be meeting in the near future. The cost of the project is estimated to be \$1.2 million.

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B. Sunken Garden Fountain Project --- Gary reported that he talked to a representative of Carle Health regarding the possibility of having them participate in funding the project.

C. Pekin Bicentennial Celebration --- Gary reported that the plan is to host a large event commemorating the occasion during June or July of next year. The planning committee would like to prepare a history book of the city.

D. Mineral Springs Depot Renovation --- Gary reported that he approached Danielle Owens about having the Pekin High School trades class renovate the depot.

New Business

A. Discussion of Terri Gambetti Scholarship Fund --- The flyer, prepared by Park District staff, offering scholarships was reviewed. The document is available on the Park District website. Cameron said we would need to find a way to build the fund annually.

With no further business to come before the Board, Gary called for a motion to adjourn. Kyle moved to adjourn the meeting with a second by Scott. The motion to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Next Meeting: June 19, 2023

Dennis Green, Secretary

