

Pekin Park Foundation

Minutes of the August 21, 2023 Director's Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President, Gary Gillis, at 4:01 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 and Jim Ruth

Absent was Jack Steger.

Also present was Treasurer, Chip Hill.

Minutes

Jim Ruth moved to approve the minutes for the June 19, 2023 Regular Meeting, as presented. Scott Kriegsman seconded the motion. Motion carried. (It was noted that the meeting scheduled for 7/17/2023 was canceled.)

Treasurer's Report

Chip reported that a \$2,000 donation was received from the Cakora Trust along with \$1,000 from the River Cup. He said \$3,350 was raised by the /Funky Monkey Golf Outing and a donation was received from Steve Sours to fund Lacrosse.

Chip provided the Treasurer's Report in advance of the meeting that accounted for fund balances totaling \$1,103,684.64 as of 8/21/2023.

The fund balances were as follows: Vanguard Escrow Acct. \$817,009.90; Miller Center \$207,575.42; James Field \$7,160.77; Larry's Casting Kids \$2,400.13; Depot Restoration Fund \$500.00; Performance Shelter Fund \$103,297.97; Arena Zamboni Replacement Fund \$37,969.52; Restricted for Lacrosse \$911.65; Restricted for Benches, Plaques, Pavers, etc. \$10,947.01; Baseball Fund (Barry Miller Memorial) \$434.65; IRVSRA \$0.00; Restricted for Parkside \$500.00; Steve Funk Junior Golf \$14,826.94; Terri Gambetti Scholarship

Fund \$6,500.55; Tom Elliott Park Improvement and Enhancement Fund \$3,999.39;

Foundation Endowment \$600,000.00; Miller Center Trip Fund \$0.00; Dog Park Improvement Fund \$3,016.44 and Schaumleffel Estate (Unrestricted Funds) \$103,644.20.

Eleven bills totaling \$15,540.69 were presented for payment. They were as follows: Reimbursement to PPD from the Benches, Plaques and Pavers account totaling \$5,656.00 for the purchase of 6 benches; 3 bills to be paid to PPD from the General Account were \$600.00 for annual web hosting \$87.50 for Donor Review and \$120.00 for Annual Report Prep; a bill was presented by Lick Creek Golf Course in the amount of \$3,766.85 for Junior Golf Camps, a bill for \$720.50 was presented by Parkview Golf Course for the Junior City Golf Tournament and another bill from Lick Creek was presented in the amount of \$1,080.00 for the IRVSRA Learn to Golf. All three bills were to be paid from the Junior Golf Account.

Three additional bills were to be reimbursed to PPD from the same account. They were \$996.00 payment to birdie ball for strike pads; \$568.48 for Funky Monkey printed materials and \$1,625.96 for Junior City Golf Tournament Trophies and Gifts. The final bill amounting to \$329.40 is to be paid from the Terri Gambetti Scholarship Fund for 2nd Quarter Scholarship Expenses.

A motion was made by Dennis and seconded by Kyle to pay the bills. Motion carried. A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Buster to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Public Comment

No one was present from the public.

Old Business

A. Performing Arts Venue Update --- It was reported that fundraising efforts have resulted in donations of \$108,798.00 plus pledges of \$42,450.00 for total commitments for the Performance Venue of \$152,247.97 to date.

A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Buster to authorize Cameron to set up and account with "Network for Good" fundraising platform as introduced by Randy McDaniel at the June meeting. Motion carried.

B. Pekin Bicentennial Celebration --- It was reported that the Bicentennial Committee met on August 10, 2023. It was decided that there will be a central celebration on the 4th of July weekend, probably on the 6th or 7th. The question was posed as to what the Park Foundation could host. Suggestions offered were: July 7th Band Concert; Pavilion Porch Party; Inflatables; Drone show or Hot Air Balloon Rides. It was agreed that the matter would be discussed at the next Foundation meeting.

C. Sunken Garden Fountain Project ---- It was suggested that a general Foundation mailer be sent.

New Business

A. Approval of Annual Insurance Renewal with Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America --- The insurance renewal was presented for consideration with a premium of \$631.38. A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Kyle to pay the premium. Motion carried.

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 Kyle. The motion to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Next Meeting: August 18, 2023

Dennis Green, Secretary

