

**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Of the Fon du Lac Park District – Tazewell County, Illinois
Held Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 4:00 PM**

President Les Newton called the Regular Meeting of the Fon du Lac Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, February 20, 2024. Upon roll call, the following members answered present: President Les Newton, Vice President Jody Pullium and Commissioner Steve Deatherage. Commissioners Rick Schwab and Seth Landwehr were absent. Also present, Attorney Rick Joseph, Director Craig Weigle, Director of Golf Tom Wolff, Chief Chance Barlow, Supt. of Parks Adam Mingus, and Secretary Erin Glover.

Minutes of Meetings

Motion to approve the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on January 16, 2024 by Newton, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Motion to approve the Minutes for the Executive Session held on January 16, 2024 by Newton, seconded by Pullium. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Correspondence

Nothing to review

Recognition of Visitors

Channel 22 present.

Finance

Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report and place it on file by Newton, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Motion to approve the Bills between Meetings and the Bills to be paid by Newton, seconded by Pullium. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Motion to approve the Financial Report and place on file subject to audit by Newton, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Motion to approve the Helping Hands Reports by Newton, seconded by Pullium. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Building and Grounds

Director Weigle reported that the equipment for the Fitness Court Project is due to be delivered within the month. The website redesign is underway and should not only be easier to navigate but will also include an interactive map of the various Park District facilities and amenities. The Campground is scheduled to open March 1st and the Farm Park will open on April 18th.

Superintendent Mingus updated the board on the current projects and projected scheduling of the renovations to the campground office, flood cleanup, updates at both golf courses, the disc golf course, and planning for the upcoming Fitness Court Project.

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Personnel

Motion to approve the hiring of Shannon Parnell as a full-time police officer by Pullium, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Land Development

Motion to approve the Access Easement Agreement with KV & D LLC for crossing the River Trail of Illinois for two single-family residential parcels by Newton, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Programs, Facilities and Policy

Director Weigle gave an update on the various programs. Legacy soccer will continue but travel soccer through the Park District has been discontinued. The tumbling meet held in January was a huge success. Kris Holcomb and the maintenance crew were recognized for all their efforts. President Newton noted that he had heard good things about the meet and that the shuttles were very much appreciated.

Director of Golf Tom Wolff gave an update on the current and upcoming events happening at Quail Meadows. Revenues are already slightly ahead of last year and there are currently 20 outings and 8 events scheduled for the upcoming season. Quail Meadows is scheduled to open on February 20th due to the unseasonably warm weather.

There will also be new wording concerning golf outing payments of check, money order, or credit card to include a 3% credit card processing fee.

Chief Barlow gave an update of the department's activity and calls since the last board meeting. The approval of Officer Parnell and the hiring of additional part-time officers will help with ensuring that shifts are covered.

Old Business

Nothing to review.

New Business

Nothing to review.

Executive Session

Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of litigation and action on behalf of the Fon du Lac Park District is probable or imminent, for considering the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity and for the purpose of discussing the purchase, sale or lease of real estate at 4:26 p.m. by Newton, seconded by Pullium. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Motion to adjourn Executive Session at 5:40 pm by Newton, seconded by Pullium. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

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Motion to adjourn at 5:41 pm by Newton, seconded by Pullium. Motion carried upon roll call: 3 ayes

Meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm.

Erin Glover, Secretary

Reviewed and approved by: _____
Les Newton, President

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Jody Pullium, Vice President