

**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Of the Fon du Lac Park District – Tazewell County, Illinois
Held Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 4:00 PM**

President Jody Pullium called the Regular Meeting of the Fon du Lac Park District Board of Commissioners to order at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, January 21, 2025. Upon roll call, the following members answered present: President Jody Pullium, Vice President Seth Landwehr, Commissioners, Les Newton, Steve Deatherage and Rick Schwab. Also present, Attorney Kathleen Carter, Director Craig Weigle, Superintendent of Parks, Adam Mingus, and Secretary, Erin Glover.

Minutes of Meetings

Motion to approve the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held December 16, 2024, by Pullium, seconded by Newton. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Correspondence

Nothing to review.

Recognition of Visitors

Staff from Channel 22 were present.

Finance

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and place it on file by Pullium, seconded by Deatherage. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Motion to approve the Bills between Meetings and the Bills to be paid by Pullium, seconded by Landwehr. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Motion to approve the Financial Report and place on file subject to audit by Pullium, seconded by Schwab. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Motion to approve the Helping Hands Reports by Pullium, seconded by Landwehr. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Motion to approve Ordinance 012125-B providing for the issue of \$1,275,000.00 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds by Pullium, seconded by Newton. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Motion to approve the Resolutions abating the 2024 Levy pertaining to the \$1,300,000.00 General Obligation Park Bonds, Series 2017 (Alternate Revenue Source), and the 2024 Levy pertaining to the \$2,440,000.00 General Obligation Park Bonds, Series 2021A (Alternate Revenue Source) by Pullium, seconded by Newton. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Building and Grounds

Director Weigle reported that several employees attended the IAPD/IPRA Conference in Chicago that was held January 23rd – 25th. This was very beneficial due to the amount of new staff and new positions that have been filled over the last few years. The employees who attended found the classes and resources very helpful.

The IAPD Legislative Breakfast will be hosted by the Morton Park District this year and will be held on Monday, February 24th. Director Weigle asked those who were present to reach out by the end of January if they were interested in attending this event.

The Campground Manager is preparing for the upcoming camping season which will begin March 1st. New hydrants have been installed, and the bathhouse has a fresh coat of paint. The Farm Park will delay opening by one week this season due to Easter falling on April 20th. The park will be open to the general public starting April 24th. The dasher boards for the roller hockey rink along with the wind screens for the tennis courts have been ordered in preparation for the upcoming season. The East Peoria High School tennis team plans to begin practicing on the new courts in March.

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Plans are being reviewed for the Neumann Park Project restrooms and splashpad. The splashpad will be farm themed and a conceptual photo was provided for review. Discussion was also had as to how the grant disbursements would be scheduled for the project's expenses.

Director Weigle also informed the board about the correspondence he had with Thomas Camp regarding an extended agreement to allow for the storage of materials on the Park District's property. After some discussion it was decided that more information was needed before moving forward.

Superintendent Mingus informed the board members that the maintenance crew had been busy cleaning out West Parks basement and preparing the Administration Office for the upcoming demo and renovation project. Preparations will start for the new water service and other groundwork for the Neumann Park Project once the weather improves.

Personnel

Nothing to review

Programs, Facilities and Policy

Director Weigle gave a brief overview of the current and upcoming sports programs. He also shared that the Recreation staff plans to hold more community events starting in 2025 that will include an Easter Egg Hunt and Touch a Truck. Details of the action items regarding Eastlight Theatre were discussed and both agreements will be back up for a vote again this time next year.

Golf Director Wolff provided a written report for review.

Chief Orr provided a report of calls over the past month for review.

Motion to approve the Sixth Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of East Peoria, the Fon du Lac Park District and East Peoria Community High School District #309 regarding the Creation of Eastlight Theatre by Schwab, seconded by Landwehr. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Motion to approve the Amendment to the Amended Construction and Lease Agreement – Theatre and Storage Building between the City of East Peoria, the Fondulac Park District and East Peoria Community High School District #309 by Schwab, seconded by Landwehr. Motion carried upon roll call: 5 ayes

Commissioner Landwehr stepped out of the meeting and did not return until after the meeting adjourned.

Old Business

Nothing to review

New Business

Nothing to Review

Executive Session

No executive session

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Motion to adjourn at 4:33 pm by Pullium, seconded by Schwab. Motion carried upon roll call: 4 ayes

Meeting adjourned at 4:33 pm.

Erin Glover, Secretary

Reviewed and approved by: _____
Jody Pullium, President

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Seth Landwehr, Vice President