

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF DECATUR PARK
DISTRICT, MACON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD AT
DECATUR PARK DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
620 E. RIVERSIDE AVENUE, DECATUR, ILLINOIS
AT 12:00 NOON ON THE 16TH DAY OF MARCH, 2022**

The Board of Park Commissioners of the Decatur Park District, Macon County, Illinois, met in a regular session on Wednesday, the 16th of March, 2022 at the hour of 12:00 Noon at the Decatur Park District Administration Office, 620 E. Riverside Avenue, Decatur, Illinois at which time and place there were present the following officers and members of said Board:

Stacey Young, President
Bob Brilley, II, Vice President
Dr. Kristin White, Commissioner via Zoom
Chris Harrison, Commissioner
Matt Whitehead, Commissioner via Zoom

A quorum of the members of the Board of Park Commissioners being present, President Young called the meeting to order and declared the Board to be in session for the transaction of business.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was recited.

NO. 16147 A motion to approve items 1-2 on the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Harrison and seconded by Commissioner Brilley and all voted aye.

1. Minutes and Executive Session Minutes of the Previous meeting
2. Bills for Approval

NO. 16148 Staff recommended approval of the purchase of a Toro Reelmaster 5510 – D for \$79,754.11 from MTI Distributing for use at Red Tail Run Golf Course. Funding for this purchase was included in the 2022 Capital Plan. This purchase is being made through Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing. A motion was made by Commissioner Harrison and seconded by Commissioner Brilley to approve the purchase of the Toro Reelmaster 5510 – D. Upon call of roll, all voted aye.

NO. 16149 Staff recommended approval of the purchase of a bid for Marina Infrastructure to provide the electrical required for the new Marina operation. Bids were solicited on February 25th with two companies responding. Bodine Electric submitted the low bid at \$215,500. Bids came in higher than anticipated. Staff and AEX have value engineered the project with Bodine to lower the cost which included removing the water service. There was \$250,000 budgeted in the 2022 Capital Plan for this purchase. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Whitehead and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the bid for Marina Infrastructure from Bodine Electric at \$215,500. Upon call of roll, all voted aye.

NO. 16150 Staff recommended approval of the lease agreement for Marina operation between the Decatur Park District, the City of Decatur and G&H Marine pending attorneys final review. Attorney, Ed Flynn has been working with the City attorney and G&H to finalize the agreement with small modifications to be done. After a lengthy discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Harrison and seconded by Commissioner Brilley to approve the lease agreement for the Marina operation between the Decatur Park District, the City of Decatur and G&H Marine. Upon call of roll, all voted aye.

AIRPORT Christy Foltz has been onsite doing some work to prepare the construction site for when warmer weather returns.

SkyWest submitted a Notice to Terminate with the Department of Transportation to terminate their EAS agreement in Decatur. There are 29 airports effected by this termination. The Department of Transportation will solicit bids from all carriers interested in providing service to Decatur. When COVID hit many airlines gave large severance packages to the soon to be retiring pilots. As the pandemic started to subside numerous pilots had taken these severance packages and could not come back. This phenomenon has contributed to SkyWest's early termination at the 29 EAS airports.

FOUNDATION The search for new art at the Scovill Sculpture Park is underway.

Zoo Open is scheduled for May 6th at Hickory Point Golf Course. Registration and Sponsorship cards are now available.

CFO Finance staff continue to meet and work on budgets. Staff will schedule 2-2-1 meetings with the board in early April.

OPERATIONS Westside Parks staff continue to work on demolishing Fairview Pool. A significant amount of the concrete has been removed and transported. Eastside Parks staff have been assisting with the hauling. They are beginning prep work for the opening of Splash Cove. The leisure pool and competition pool will need a fresh coat of paint prior to opening.

Horticulture staff have begun spring clean up at Overlook Adventure Park and Scovill Zoo in preparation for the facilities opening in April.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR The Master Plan will roll out to the community March 29th at Hickory Point Golf Course. Greg WeyKamp will be in attendance. The plan will be adopted at the April 20th board meeting.

The Illinois Department of Transportation has been overwhelmingly busy. It is hopeful that the bid process can start in June for the Faries Park roadway. In the meantime, the pot holes will continue to be filled as needed.

Construction on the Steven's Creek Bike Trail Phase 2B will resume sometime in April. There is a gas main issue engineers are currently working on.

Kudos to Airport Director, Tim Wright for his ongoing communication and effort with SkyWest.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

President Young There is a need for executive session.

At approximately 1:02 p.m., Commissioner Brilley made and Commissioner Harrison seconded a motion to move into executive session. Upon call of roll, all voted aye.

A motion to adjourn executive session and return to open session was made Commissioner Harrison, seconded by Commissioner Brilley and unanimously approved.

A motion to adjourn the open session was made by Commissioner Dr. White and seconded by Commissioner Whitehead and unanimously approved.

/s/ Stacey Young
President, Board of Park Commissioners

/s/ Melanie Moore
Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners