

**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 19th DAY OF JULY, 2023**

The Board of Park Commissioners of the Decatur Park District, Macon County, Illinois, met in a regular session on Wednesday, the 19th of July, 2023 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:

Bob Brilley, II, President
Chris Harrison, Commissioner
Stacey Young, Commissioner

Absent: Shelith Hansbro, Commissioner
Dr. Kristin White, Vice President

A quorum of the members of the Board of Park Commissioners being present, President Brilley 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. 16260 A motion to approve items 1-2 on the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Brilley, Commissioner Harrison abstained. All else voted aye.

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
2. Bills for Approval

NO.16261 Staff recommended approval of the project for replacing runway 12-30 airfield lighting and signage system to J. Ranck Electric in the amount of \$720,850.00 along with their alternate of \$59,103.10 for removing and remarking of the runway safety hold position and associated enhanced taxiway markings. The final grant from the FAA will be for \$975,466.10. This will cover all the associated engineering cost. This grant will be funded at 95% Federal, 2.5% State and 2.5% Local. A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Harrison for approval of the project for replacing runway 12-30 airfield lighting and signage system. Upon call of roll all voted aye.

CFO Golf continues to do well. Rounds for June were up 10.5%. The Pro Shops are doing great and continue to increase in sales.

Staff will bring the joint purchase agreement between the Decatur Park District and Millikin University for the DISC solar project to the August 2nd board meeting for approval.

The auditors have been onsite performing audit procedures. Staff continue to field questions as they arise throughout the process.

AIRPORT the new SRE/Firehouse is awaiting new windows and furniture before it is complete.

On Tuesday, July 11th the Department of Transportation (DOT) released the Request for Proposals for our Essential Air Service. Airlines interested in providing service for the Decatur community should file no later than August 10th with the DOT in Washington. Currently Skywest continues air service at the Decatur Airport.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR This last week the Decatur Park District saw over 14,587 guests throughout Park District facilities and parks. The weekly impact report shows Splash Cove at 4,288 guests, Overlook Adventure Park 1,451 guests, Scovill Zoo 2,241 guests, Red Tail Run 1,014 guests, Hickory Point 987 and the Devon Lake Shore Amphitheater 4,500 guests. Along with Over The Top Ice Cream Shop scooping 283 gallons of ice cream and the Scovill Activity Center Senior Luncheon having 106 guests in attendance.

Park staff continue cleaning up from the recent storm damage. Hickory Point Golf got hit hard resulting in over 40 some trees taken out.

Construction crews have been working on various projects throughout the district.

Staff continue to meet to brainstorm on what the 100th Anniversary of the Decatur Park District is going to look like.

The Lakefest 100th Anniversary went well. The Nelson Lake Front area saw over 10,000 people. President Brilley complimented and thanked Executive Director Gerhard on the hard work he did at the Lakefest and time he put in for it.

MARKETING DIRECTOR Calls for Trees on Tees information have already begun.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Young will be on vacation next week. Good job and kudos to staff. The Decatur Park District is so creative. Keep up the good work!

President Brilley Once again fantastic job.

There is a need for executive session.

At approximately 12:26 p.m., Commissioner Young 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 Young, seconded by Commissioner Harrison and unanimously approved.

A motion to adjourn the open session was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Harrison and unanimously approved.

/s/ Melanie Moore
Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners

/s/ Bob Brilley
President, Board of Park Commissioners