

**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 2nd DAY OF OCTOBER, 2024**

The Board of Park Commissioners of the Decatur Park District, Macon County, Illinois, met in a regular session on Wednesday, the 2nd of October, 2024 at the hour of 12:08 p.m. 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:

Dr. Kristin White, President
Chris Harrison, Vice President
Shelith Hansbro, Commissioner
Stacey Young, Commissioner
Bob Brilley, II, Commissioner

A quorum of the members of the Board of Park Commissioners being present, President Dr. White 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. 16360 A motion to approve items 1-2 on the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Harrison. Upon call of the roll, all voted aye.

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

NO. 16361 Park Commissioners recommended SkyWest to the Department of Transportation as Essential Air Service Provider for the Decatur Airport. Representatives of SkyWest Daniel Belmont and Wes Horrocks attended the meeting and gave a brief presentation. The Board of Commissioners asked questions and thoroughly discussed the information given. A motion was made by Commissioner Young and seconded by Commissioner Hansbro of recommendation to the Department of Transportation for SkyWest as Essential Air Service Provider. Upon call of the roll, all voted aye.

NO. 16362 Staff recommended the approval of an addendum to the Lake Decatur Lease Agreement between Decatur Park District/City of Decatur/G&H Marine. This addendum is to update Exhibit C which details the total estimated cost of each of the various phases of docks added to the project. A motion was made by Commissioner Brilley and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the addendum to the Lake Decatur Lease Agreement between Decatur Park District/City of Decatur/G&H Marine Upon call of the roll, all voted aye.

CFO Over the next couple of months Kristin, Laura, Brei and Melanie will work on updating the Board Policy Manual and Personnel Manuals. It is best to review and update the policies to ensure regulatory compliance. Approval will be brought to the Board during the winter season.

The Decatur Public School District scholarship funds have been received.

Decatur Park District received reimbursement from the FEMA claim for the derecho event which occurred back in June of 2023. Thank you to Scott and Brei for their diligent work in gathering and submitting the information to FEMA.

The first Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) report from the County came in and exhibited a significant increase this year.

Staff continue to work on the Capitals and plan to have 2-2-1 meetings by the end of October.

RECREATION Boo at the Zoo ticket sales are going well. At this time 3,000 tickets have been sold. As in the past Boo at the Zoo will have Sensory Friendly hours.

Lazer Tag at the DISC will begin October 4th.

Overlook will host a Halloween Glow Golf Saturday, October 5th.

Today, October 2nd Scovill Park West Activity Center will host a Weiner Roast with hotdogs and s'mores for the Seniors.

The next Senior Luncheon will be held on October 8th. Attendance to the luncheons are usually 100 to 150.

Devon Amphitheater staff have started wrap-up, clean up and winterizing the facility. The major focus over the next couple of months will be booking shows.

AIRPORT Air Evac will celebrate their one-year anniversary on October 5th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS Fairview Park Destination Playground is moving along. The Challenge Course is completed as well as the Fitness Area. Staff are hopeful the swing set will be installed and completed this week.

The Puma Exhibit project drainage system is now installed inside the exhibit. The concrete sidewalk steps and side walk are now complete. The project is scheduled to be finished by December 1st.

The DISC Golf and Fitness room floor is currently being laid. Decatur Park Districts portion should be complete by the end of this month. Millikin continues to work on their golf area portion.

South Shores Park looks great with the upgrade of the pickleball and tennis courts.

Garfield Park Phase 1 will begin next week.

Splash Cove is now winterized.

MARKETING Holiday mode has begun. Marketing is currently working on Boo at the Zoo, Turkey Trot, Trees on the Tees and much more.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Dr. White loves the QR Codes Marketing has been implementing into the flyers and ads. Thank you, Katie great job!

Commissioner Hansbro agreed with Commissioner Dr. White. Good job Katie!

At approximately 1:00 p.m., Commissioner Brilley made and Commissioner Harrison seconded a motion to move into executive session. Upon call of the roll, all voted aye.

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

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

/s/ Melanie Moore
Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners

/s/ Dr. Kristin White
President, Board of Park Commissioners