

# Effingham Park Board Meeting

April 6, 2022,  
6:30 pm

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The regular meeting of the Effingham Park Board was held on Wednesday, April 6, 2002, at 6:30 pm at the Ron Diehl Center 1906 South Fourth Street.

## Present:

|                                 |                                      |
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| Russ Sehy, President            | Anita Broom, Treasurer               |
| Mike Cunningham, Vice-President | Carole McDevitt, Recording Secretary |
| Jason Semple, Commissioner      |                                      |
| Angie Kronewitter, Commissioner |                                      |
| Kevin Palmer, Commissioner      |                                      |

**Absent:** Jeff Althoff, Director  
Leah Ritter, General Manager Workman Sports Complex

**Guests:** Julie Harden, Carolyn Hoene, Mason Bloemker, High School Students  
Connie Aird

Roll call was taken by President, Russ Sehy, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance with the regular meeting beginning at 6:30 pm.

## Secretary's Report

**A motion to accept the secretary's report as corrected was made by Palmer; second Cunningham; all ayes.**

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Anita Broom, reviewed fund balances as of February 28, 2022. A final property tax distribution of \$46,713.91 has been received. Corporate Fund year to date income is \$112,325.72. Recreation Fund total revenue in February was \$61,588.95 of which \$41,083.00 was for program fees. Recreation fund year to date income is a positive \$47,900.03. Pool year to date revenue is a negative \$21,507.92. There are currently no major expenses.

The following bills for the month of March greater than \$100.00 were reviewed for payment.

|  |            |                   |            |
|--|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Conserv                                | \$7,921.20 | Conserv           | \$8,987.90 |
| TCF                                    | 2,245.43   | Q. Anthony Siemer | 240.00     |
| NEVCO                                  | 3,020.96   | Rural King        | 572.37     |
| Capital One Bank                       | 1,844.76   | Lake Land College | 139.44     |
| JEDCO Sales, Inc.                      | 1,531.05   | Northside Ford    | 524.98     |
| KCH Mechanical                         | 1,112.00   | WEX Bank          | 730.36     |
| Great America Financial Services       | 110.26     | Menards           | 611.40     |
| Interstate Billing Serv. Inc. (Bobcat) | 269.24     | Effingham Equity  | 117.51     |
| Tucker Accounting Service, Inc.        | 273.50     | Pro Lube          | 378.44     |

## Bond Account

|                                 |             |  |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Effingham Fence & Railing, Inc. | \$49,732.27 | fencing for second ball diamond at<br>Hendelmeyer Park   |
| ENTEC                           | 19,871.50   | final payment for the heating, air<br>conditioning unit that was replaced<br>last summer at the sports complex |

The payment of \$2,245.43 to TCF was for a diamond machine lease. The payment of \$3,020.96 to NEVCO was for a scoreboard for the Ron Diehl Center basketball court. The payments to Conserv were for herbicides, fertilizer, etc.

Broom noted that the \$625,000.00 in general obligation bond money has been received and deposited in Washington Savings Bank. A payment of \$469,050.00 was made to cover debt certificate fees related to the Workman Sports Complex.

**A motion to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills was made by Cunningham; second Kronewitter; Five Ayes/No nays.**

## Public Comments

Connie Aird said she enjoys walking her dogs in Evergreen Hollow Park nearly every day in good weather. She expressed concern about some of the activities she witnessed during the Adventure Camp held in the park last summer. She observed counselors sitting in the Red Roof pavilion talking together and using cell phones seemingly not supervising children "having a gay old time at the creek" where girls said some boys were urinating in the water. She also saw children pulling up flowers, shredding hosta plants, and committing other destruction of landscaping. She said it was heartbreaking to see beauty in the park destroyed. She hoped that children could be taught to respect property.

Sehy thanked Connie and said he would pass the information to Director Jeff Althoff so these problems can be addressed.

Julie Harden asked about board members. Sehy introduced the board members and explained duties of the board.

## Workman Sports Complex Report

In the absence of General Manager Leah Ritter, Althoff distributed a print out of "What's Happening at the Workman Sports Complex" compiled by Ritter.

|                             |      |                |      |
|-----------------------------|------|----------------|------|
| Current Regular Memberships | 1803 | February 2022: | 1725 |
| SS/Prime Memberships:       | 158  | February 2022: | 155  |
| Suspension (Frozen):        | 101  | February 2022: | 106  |
| Total Membership:           | 2062 | February 2022: | 1986 |
| Total Members:              | 3893 | February 2022: | 3829 |

**Memberships:**

Terminated 8: Breakdown – 3 no longer use the facility, 3 moved, 1 financial, 1 medical

**Fitness:**

Class attendance breakdown:

Aqua - Attendance for the month, 634 versus 377 from February

Studio 1 – Attendance for the month, 470 versus 343 from February

Studio 2 – Attendance for the month 167 versus 130 from February

**Adult Dance with Rachael**

Rachael hosted a pop up on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Just Tri Event:**

Just Tri indoor triathlon was March 12<sup>th</sup>. Thirteen participated . Donations and registration fees were donated to Unit 40 Foundation and The Big Heart Foundation.

**Additional Events/Information:**

2022 Incentives: monthly memberships (year contract) receive 1 additional month and 10 guest passes. Paid in full memberships receive 2 additional months and 15 guest passes.

**Aquatics:**

March swim lessons were full with a wait list that takes us to May. March lessons breakdown: 6 Parent/Tot; 5 Level 1; 7 Level 2; 3 Level 3. The instructor has taken on additional classes through the week to accommodate the wait list.

**Programming:**

Spring Youth Basketball Clinic with Coach Reed for K & 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade was held March 21<sup>st</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> and March 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>. There were 46 participants in the K & 1<sup>st</sup> grade group and 17 participants in the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade group. Clinic for the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade group is April 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>.

**In the Works:**

Ballerina Camp with Rachael

April Swim Lessons

Seasonal 3 Month Membership

Half Price Guest Passes April 14<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>

Indoor Easter Egg Hunt April 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>

**Director's Report**

Due to the absence of Director Jeff Althoff, the director's report was tabled until the next meeting.

**Commissioners' Comments**

There were no comments.

**A motion for adjournment at 6:50 pm was made by Palmer; second Semple; all ayes.**