

Effingham Park Board Meeting

December 6, 2023

5:30 pm

The regular meeting of the Effingham Park Board was held on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 5:30 pm at the Ron Diehl Center at 1906 South Fourth Street.

Present:

Russ Sehy, President	Jeff Althoff, Director
Mike Cunningham, Vice-President	Anita Broom, Treasurer
Angie Kronewitter, Commissioner	Carole McDevitt, Recording Secretary
Kevin Palmer, Commissioner	Leah Ritter, General Manager
Matt Dasenbrock, Commissioner	Workman Sports Complex

Roll call was taken by President, Russ Sehy, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance with the regular meeting beginning at 5:30 pm.

Secretary's Report

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

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Anita Broom, reviewed fund income statements for the month of September, 2023. Corporate fund revenue was \$46,070.14 of which \$46,000.00 was a contribution from the South Eastern Community Foundation for the skate park. Total expenses were \$88,985.54 which included \$50,000.00 transferred last month to the Workman Sports Complex. Net income was a negative \$42,915.40. Recreation fund revenue was \$1,855.91. Expenses were \$34,073.13 leaving a net income of a negative \$32,217.2. Pool revenue year to date is a negative \$53,939.26 due in part for the need to purchase expensive pool chemicals this year.

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

Kirby Risk Corporation	\$2,445.74	Lorenz Supply Co.	\$200.00
Encova Insurance (workman comp)	1,697.00	Fessi	588.50
South Central FS, Inc.	1,288.50	Valvoline	177.23
La Crosse Seed	3,334.46	WEX Bank	642.88
Barlow Lock & Security, Inc.	130.00	Chase Credit Card	180.40
Imagine This Marketing Group	980.00	Wortman Printing Co.	321.57
Capital One Bank (USA), N.A.	831.08	Fastenal	374.98
Tucker Accounting Service, Inc.	165.50	Burford Electric, Inc.	550.21
Barlow Lock & Security, Inc.	39.23	Latch Farms	382.50
Great America Financial Services	159.56	Menards	957.46
Effingham Builders Supply	354.11	RentX	361.00

Midwest Tractor Sales	\$159.45	Wolke Nursery	\$310.00
Bahrns Equipment, Inc.	210.78	Rural King	500.00
Q. Anthony Siemer	730.00	Lorenz Supply Co.	426.55

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

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Passage of Tax Levy Ordinance 312

Board members reviewed information presented at the November meeting regarding the proposed tax levy ordinance for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2023, and ending April 30, 2024. The sum to be levied is \$1,496,749.00.

A motion to accept and adopt Tax Levy Ordinance 312 in accordance with what was approved last month was made by Cunningham; second Sehy; Five Ayes/No Nays.

Workman Sports Complex Report

Leah Ritter, General Manager, presented the following membership numbers for November which she noted are significantly higher than for November last year.

Current Regular Memberships:	1667	November 2023:	1638
SS/Prime Memberships:	448	November 2023:	434
Suspension (Frozen):	114	November 2023:	110
Total Members:	2229	November 2023:	2182

Fitness:

November class attendance breakdown follows:

- Aqua – Total weekly offerings 9 or 38 for the month
Attendance total for the month 442 versus 474 for October
- Studio 1 – Land total weekly offerings 20 or 58 for the month
Attendance total for the month 565 versus 574 for October
- Studio 2 – Spin total weekly offerings 7 or 25 for the month
Attendance total for the month 132 versus 145 for October

Aquatics:

November lessons breakdown as follows, 5 parent tot; 13 level 1; 18 level 2; 5 level 3; versus 6 parent tot; 11 level 1; 14 level 2; 6 level 3 for October

Workman Basketball League:

K & 1st grade ended their season Tuesday, December 5th. Tournament is Saturday, December 16th. There were 149 participants registered for the K & 1st grade league. This is up from 134 participants who registered for 2022. There were 16 teams. It was a great success!

In the Works:

WBL (2nd & 3rd):

Assessments are Monday, December 11th.

December Swim Lessons

December Membership Incentive: 30% off 3 month membership (paid in full)

Adult Swim Technique with Rob: January

Fitter and Faster Swim Camp: January There are 29 participants registered so far.

Pickleball Tournament: January (Discovery Christian School)

Director's Report**Restrooms**

Althoff said the remodel of the restrooms at the Ron Diehl Center will begin the first week of January starting with the men's followed by the women's, then the handicapped. Toilets will be replaced, men's showers will be blocked off with a door, painting will be done.

Basement Renovation

The basement area at the Ron Diehl Center will be renovated in the spring to correct water damage to the area. Walls will be water proofed. Two sump pumps will be installed. Cost of the work will be about \$14,000.00. If no more water damage occurs turf will be installed on the floor.

Pickleball

Althoff said a lot of requests have been received to add pickleball courts to the gym at the Ron Diehl Center. That would entail strip coating the floor, painting lines on the floor, and sound proofing the door to the gym. Althoff will research the price for this work. He noted that gym time is almost always fully booked. Only a morning time might be available for pickleball.

Work is continuing to remove leaves and debris from the Trec Trail at no charge. Inventory is currently being taken to see what is needed for next spring.

Commissioners' Comments

Cunningham said more outside light is needed at Hendelmeyer Park. He suggested installing cameras at the skate park and surrounding area.

Althoff noted that a teen age driver doing donuts in the parking lot at Hendelmeyer Park hit a corner of the shed. He was apprehended by the police.

It was suggested that signs indicating the parks' 11:00 o'clock closing time be prominently displayed at all of the parks. This would give police the authority to make people leave at that time.

A motion for adjournment at 6:00 pm was made by Cunningham; second Kronewitter; all ayes.