

# Effingham Park Board Meeting

January 3, 2024

5:30 pm

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The regular meeting of the Effingham Park Board was held on Wednesday, January 3, 2024, at 5:30 pm at the Ron Diehl Center at 1906 South Fourth Street.

## Present:

Russ Sehy, President

Mike Cunningham, Vice-President

Angie Kronewitter, Commissioner

Kevin Palmer, Commissioner

Matt Dasenbrock, Commissioner

Jeff Althoff, Director

Carole McDevitt, Recording Secretary

Leah Ritter, General Manager

Workman Sports Complex

**Absent:** Anita Broom, Treasurer

## Secretary's Report

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

## Treasurer's Report

Due to the absence of treasurer, Anita Broom, the treasurer's report was tabled until the next meeting.

## Workman Sports Complex Report

Leah Ritter, general manager, presented the following membership numbers for December which she was happy to report are significantly higher than last month.

Current Regular Memberships:	1863	November 2024;	1667
SS/Prime Memberships:	459	November 2024:	448
Suspension (Frozen):	117	November 2024:	114
Total Members:	2439	November 2024:	2229

## Fitness:

Four new fitness classes will begin in January; Core & Abs Circuit, Carlos's Surprise, Walk & Sculpt, Boot camp Combo. A trainer and one fitness instructor will be lost this month necessitating the need to hire replacements.

December class attendance breakdown as follows:

Aqua – total weekly offerings 9 or 26 for the month

Attendance total for the month 332 versus 442 for November

Studio One – Land total weekly offerings 18 or 67 for the month

Attendance total for the month 470 versus 565 for November

Studio 2 – Spin total weekly offerings 7 or 26 for the month  
Attendance total for the month 121 versus 132 for November

**Aquatics:**

December breakdown as follows, 0 parent tot; 5 level 1; 10 level 2: 4 level 3, versus 5 parent tot; 13 level 1; 18 level 2; 5 level 3 for November.

**Workman Basketball League:**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade had assessments on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Season starts Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. There are 141 registered for this league. There were 127 registered last year.

**December Membership Incentive:**

Three months memberships at 30% off, when paid in full, were offered. This proved very successful leading to 237 memberships being sold.

**In the Works:**

- 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade WBL
- January Swim Lessons
- Swim Technique with Rob
- Pickleball Tournament (Discovery Christian)
- More membership incentives for this year

Board members would like to see a breakdown of how many memberships are individual and how many are family memberships.

It was noted that emails or text messages will be sent to members notifying that their membership has expired and giving options for renewing

**Comments from the Public:**

There were no comments from the public.

**Director's Report**

Althoff presented the following list of - **2024 Park District Fees**

**Leagues:**

T-Ball & Small Fry:	Resident: \$30	Non-Resident: \$60
Baseball/Softball (2 <sup>nd</sup> grade+):	Resident: \$40	Non-Resident: \$70
Soccer:	Resident: \$30	Non-Resident: \$60
Flag Football:	Resident: \$40	Non-Resident: \$70
Special Recreation:	FREE for all ages	

\*Volunteer coaches get registration fee waived for their children they are coaching.

**Adult Sports (per team):**

Softball:	\$225(women's)	\$500(COED & Men's)	\$150(CHURCH LEAGUE)
Volleyball:	\$300(women's & COED)		
Basketball:	\$400(Men's)		

**Sponsorships:**

Fence Signs: \$100(3 'x 6') \$200(4' x 8') + Cost of creation (first year)  
Team Sponsorships: \$450(Baseball & Softball) \$350(Flag Football)  
The Park District buys uniforms for the teams so all will be of equal quality.

**Adventure Camp:**

Althoff noted the need to raise the fee for Adventure Camp next summer.

Full Week: \$160 3 Days: \$130 2 Days: \$100 (+\$10 for Non-Resident)  
Discounts: \$10% Early Bird (Paid in Full by May 1) & 10% additional child  
\*cannot be combined

Policy Changes: Households paying week to week will be required to set up auto pay.  
Bringing back deposits (\$30 per week paid at registration)

Althoff said a list of equipment and supplies needed for next year is being put together.

There were 14 participants in the Kids Camp held over the holidays when children weren't in school.

The ice skating pond at Community Park has been filled.

**A motion to adjourn the regular meeting and move to Executive Session at 5:45 pm was made by Cunningham: second Sehy; all ayes.**

**A motion adjourning the Executive Session to return to the regular meeting at 6:00 pm was made by Sehy: second Palmer; all ayes.**

**As a result of discussion in Executive Session a motion to approve Althoff's recommendations for salary increases beginning January 1, 2024, delay the raises for three people employed less than a year until January 1, 2025, and increase the salary of Director Althoff \$1.00/hour, was made by Kronewitter; second Palmer; Five Ayes/No Nays.**

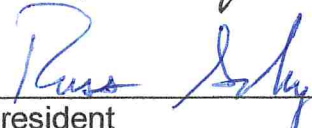
**Commissioners' Comments**

There were no comments from commissioners.

**A motion for adjournment at 6:10 pm was made by Cunningham; second Palmer; all ayes.**

  
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Director

Date 2-7-24

  
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President

Date 2-7-24