

Effingham Park Board Meeting

August 7, 2024

5:30 pm

The regular meeting of the Effingham Park Board was held on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 5:30 pm at the Ron Diehl Center at 1906 South Fourth Street.

Present:

Russ Sehy, President

Mike Cunningham, Vice-President

Matt Dasenbrock, Commissioner

Jeff Althoff, Director

Carole McDevitt, Recording Secretary

Leah Ritter, General Manager

Workman Sports Complex

Absent: Anita Broom, Treasurer

Angie Kronewitter, Commissioner

Kevin Palmer, Commissioner

Secretary's Report

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

Treasurer's Report

In the absence of treasurer, Anita Broom, Althoff presented the following bills greater than \$100.00 for review and payment.

Ronald Potsch	\$24,000.00	Lorenz Supply Co.	\$139.84
Doehring, Winders & Co.	17,000.00	Siemer	145.00
Thoele Plumbing	14,715.00	Creative1, Inc.	155.00
Rural King	1,030.09	Kirby Foods IGA	164.69
Bahrns Equipment, Inc.	1,063.98	BSN Sports. LLC	194.00
Walmart	1,072.99	Barlow Lock & Security, Inc.	195.00
WEX Bank	1,085.60	Effinghm Equity	205.62
Lake Land College	1,192.86	Latch Farms	225.00
Menards	1,337.33	Interstate Batteries	269.85
Effingham Asphalt Co.	1,873.25	Creative1, Inc.	272.00
South Central FS, Inc.	2,527.99	Rumpke of Illinois, Inc.	275.00
Chase Credit Card	8,150.79	Rumpke of Illinois, Inc.	275.00
Megan Tylka	1,800.00	Rumpke of Illinois, Inc.	435.00
Trophy Fitness	8,000.00	RentX	456.90
Hillary Kopplin	1,021.55	Lorenz Supply Co.	676.40
Great America Financial Service	173.94	Burford Electric, Inc.	677.02
Great America Financial Service	216.41	Burford Electric, Inc.	907.37
Imagine This! Marketing Group	700.00	Rock's Advanced Auto Care	840.03
Tucker Accounting Service, Inc.	415.50		

Althoff noted that the payment to Ronald Potsch for \$24,000.00 was for purchase of a 2016 truck with 30,000 miles for the maintenance fleet.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Sehy; second Cunningham; Three Ayes/No Nays.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Workman Sports Complex Report

Leah Rtter, general manager, presented the following membership numbers for July.

Current regular memberships:	1652	June 2024:	1701
SS/Prime Memberships:	552	June 2024:	543
Suspension (Frozen):	146	June 2024:	120
Total Members:	2350	June: 2024:	2364

There were 1746 regular memberships and 2231 total members at this time last year.

Fitness:

July class attendance follows:

- Aqua - Total weekly offerings 4 or 17 for the month
Attendance total for the month 254 versus 338 for June
(one instructor was out sick for the month)
- Studio 1 – Land total weekly offerings 18 or 65 for the month
Attendance total for the month 582 versus 588 for June
- Studio 2 - Spin total weekly offerings 4 or 17 for the month
Attendance total for the month 79 versus 75 for June

Aquatics:

July group lessons breakdown as follows: 5 parent-tot; 23 level 1; 5 level 2; 7 level 3, versus 16 level 1; 10 level 2; 11 level 3 for June

Jodie Davidson had 42 private swim lessons in July.

Red Tide:

Ended their season Saturday, August 3rd.

The All Conference Swim Meet was a big success with 300 swimmers participating.

WBL:

Registration is open for all grade groups.

In the Works:

Private and group August Swim Lessons

Heartland Hurricane Registration

Toddler Play

Review Closed Session Minutes

Since almost all closed executive session minutes are related to personnel or purchase of property, Althoff recommended that they remain closed.

A motion to keep all executive session minutes closed was made by Cunningham; second Sehy; all ayes.

Director's Report

Fall Programs

Soccer season begins next week with the following good numbers.

Little Kickers	95	(4-6 yr. old)
Midfielders	84	(1 st & 2 nd grade)
Strikers	60	(3 rd & 4 th grade)
Challengers	60	(5 th , 6 th , 7 th grade)

Flag football leagues are full. Registration is closed.

"B" League	110	(1 st & 2 nd grade)
"A" League	50	(3 rd , 4 th , 5 th grade)

Volleyball will be held at the Ron Diehl Center starting in September.

So far 60 girls (1st -3rd grade) have registered.

Playground Equipment

The new playground equipment ordered from Play Power LT Farmington, Inc. for Evergreen Hollow Park has arrived. Cost is \$149,583.52. Althoff said it will be a lot of work but park maintenance staff with help will dismantle the old unit and install the new one.

Workman Sports Complex Equipment Upgrades

Trophy Fitness

Althoff noted that the contract with Trophy Fitness for operation of the Workman Sports Complex began July 1, 2024, at \$8,000.00/month. A representative has been on site since that time meeting with staff and determining ways to improve all aspects of the facility.

Althoff distributed an Improvement Plan prepared by Trophy Fitness. The plan's overall goal: "Implement changes that help to align the facility with current trends, allowing the creation of new and improved programs to attract and retain members".

Five specific areas were identified as needing improvement along with ways to achieve these improvements. Althoff noted that a lot of equipment obtained from Get Fit needs to be replaced. The improvement plan included a list of Recovery Tools and Fitness Equipment that would upgrade the facility. Prices for each were included.

Althoff would like to get pictures of all current equipment to present at the next board meeting. Further discussion of the Improvement Plan was tabled until the next meeting giving commissioners time to consider recommendations of the plan that can begin to be implemented in September.

Commissioners' Comments

There were no comments from commissioners.

A motion for adjournment at 6:20 pm was made by Sehy; second Cunningham; all ayes.

Director's  Date 9-4-24

President  Date 9/4/24