

# Effingham Park Board Meeting

December 4, 2024

5:30 pm

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The regular meeting of the Effingham Park Board was held on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 5:30 pm at the Ron Diehl Center at 1906 South Fourth Street.

## Present:

Mike Cunningham, President

Angie Kronewitter, Commissioner

Kevin Palmer, Commissioner

Matt Dasenbrock, Commissioner

Jeff Althoff, Director

Anita Broom, Treasurer

Carole McDevitt, Recording Secretary

**Absent:** Russ Sehy, President

Leah Ritter, General Manager, Workman Sports Complex

**Guest:** Marie Adamick, Effingham Daily News

## Secretary's Report

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

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Anita Broom, reviewed fund income statements for the four months ending August 31, 2024. Corporate fund total income for August was \$4,665.57 of which \$4,593.55 was from PPRT money. Expenses for August were \$100,243.05 which included \$45,000.00 transferred from other funds. Net income for August was a negative \$95,577.45.

Recreation fund total income for August was \$35,878.17 of which \$17,685.29 was from program fees. Sponsorship fees are \$17,647.51 higher than at this time last year. Expenses were \$91,174.79. Net income for August was a negative \$55,296.62. Year to date income is significantly higher than at this time last year.

Pool fund total revenue for August was \$11,459.90 of which \$7,531.00 was for admissions and \$2,540.00 for pool after hours. Expenses were \$13,141.83. Year to date net income is a negative \$36,432.85 which is a little better than last year.

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

Carpet Weaver's Flooring & Furniture	\$10,974.00	DJO, LLC	\$335.04
Entec	11,925.00	Lake Land College	502.00
Daktronics	22,758.00	BSN Sports, LLC	318.00
Double D Signs	19,200.00	Effingham Equity	442.74
Trophy Fitness Management	50,000.00	Lorenz Supply Co.	806.16
Marathon Fitness	50,857.89	LaCrosse Seed	100.80

Interstate Batteries	\$1,211.39	Menards	\$317.63
WEX Bank	1,021.26	Rural King	342.64
Trophy Fitness Management	8,000.00	Tim's Quality Tires, Inc.	226.00
Sandberg Phoenix	1,892.63	Bahrns Equipment, Inc.	240.42
Chase Credit Card	6,994.94	Life Fitness	207.50
South Central FS, Inc.	1,147.10	Rumpke Waste Service, Inc.	145.00
Tucker Accounting Service, Inc.	177.00	Rumpke	145.00
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## **Public Comments**

There were no comments from the Public

## **Passage of Tax Levy Ordinance 316**

Board members reviewed information presented at the November meeting regarding the proposed tax levy ordinance for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2024, and ending April 30, 2025. The sum to be levied is \$1,571,586.45.

**A motion to accept and adopt Tax Levy Ordinance 316 in accordance with what was approved last month was made by Dasenbrock; second Kronewitter; Four Ayes/No Nays.**

## **Passage of Ordinance 317 Annexing Territory**

Althoff distributed copies of Annexation Ordinance 317 consisting of the following two parcels of land subdivided and plated as Hidden Hills Subdivision.

PARCEL 1: K & K Investment Company, an Illinois Corporation:  
Lots thirteen (13) through thirty-three (33) of the Hidden Hills Subdivision; and Outlot A and Outlot B of the Hidden Hills Subdivision.

PARCEL 2: East Evergreen Development, LLC, an Illinois Liability Company:  
Lots One (1) through Twelve (12) of the Hidden Hills subdivision.

**A motion to adopt Annexation Ordinance 317 was made by Cunningham; second Dasenbrock; Four Ayes/No Nays.**

## **Director's Report**

Althoff distributed copies of the completed Efficiency Report for the Effingham Park District.

**After discussion a motion to approve the report and submit it to the county from which it will go to the state, was made by Kronewitter; second Cunningham; Four Ayes/No Nays.**

Althoff said work is going on now to install the new red, white, and blue playground equipment at Evergreen Hollow Park next to the brown pavilion.

Winter leagues have started and are going well.


Althoff reported that transitioning from Q. Anthony Siemer to Phillip Lading as official park district attorney January 1, 2025, is almost complete.

Athletic Director Alec Quandt is leaving to take a job as Assistant Athletic Director at Sacred Heart Griffith. Althoff said a new part time athletic director will be hired.

### Commissioners' Comments

Kronewitter said she has really enjoyed using the Dog Park at Evergreen Hollow Park. She said people have expressed that they like the big field area. A group of dogs from kennels is sometimes brought for exercise. She suggested adding more obstacles for entertainment. Althoff said there are some old metal tunnels that could be moved there. A request for lights at the park has been made. Althoff said cost would be \$500,000.00 - \$600,000.00 for one pole and more would be needed, so the expense can't be justified at this time. Plans are to add brick pavers up to the entryways and under each bench.

**A motion for adjournment at 6:15 pm was made by Kronewitter; second Palmer; All ayes.**

  
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Director's

Date 1-14-25

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President

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