

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
104 United Drive, Collinsville, Illinois
Tuesday, August 10, 2021

I. Call to Order President Bergman called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

II. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum

Present were: Mark Achenbach, Madison County
 Jerry Kane, Madison County
 Frank Bergman, St. Clair County
 Paul Evans, St. Clair County entered the meeting at 11:03 a.m.
 Randy Randolph, St. Clair County

 Bryan Werner, Executive Director
 Cole Preston, Grant Coordinator
 Rene' St. Peters, Administrative Assistant

Absent were: John Papa, Attorney

III. Public Discussion and/or Comment No public discussion or comments.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Director Achenbach made a motion, seconded by Director Kane to approve the minutes from the July 13, 2021, regular meeting as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Aye	Jerry Kane	Aye		
Frank Bergman	Aye	Paul Evans	Absent	Randy Randolph	Aye

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

Director Paul Evans entered the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

V. Consent Agenda

Director Achenbach made a motion, seconded by Director Randolph to approve the consent agenda items A-E as presented on pages 4-28.

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Aye	Jerry Kane	Aye		
Frank Bergman	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye	Randy Randolph	Aye

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

VI. Finance

a) Director Achenbach made a motion, seconded by Director Kane to approve the MEPRD payments and claims for July 2021 as presented on pages 29-33.

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach Aye Jerry Kane Aye
Frank Bergman Aye Paul Evans Aye Randy Randolph Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

b) Director Evans made a motion, seconded by Director Randolph to approve the MMMP payments and claims for July 2021 as presented on pages 34-35.

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach Aye Jerry Kane Aye
Frank Bergman Aye Paul Evans Aye Randy Randolph Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

VII. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Werner provided an overview of the document titled: Completed Tasks and Strategic Planning Guide. The report covers past, current, and future tasks, goals, and objectives.

VIII. Old Business

No old business was discussed.

IX. New Business

Grant Coordinator Cole Preston presented agenda items IX(A-R).

a) FY22 Event Sponsorship Request from SIUE in the amount of \$2,500.00 for their upcoming event titled: SIUE Cougars Unleashed Homecoming Run, to be held on September 18, 2021, through September 25, 2021.

Director Randolph made a motion seconded by Director Evans to approve the Event sponsorship request from SIUE as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach Aye Jerry Kane Aye
Frank Bergman Aye Paul Evans Aye Randy Randolph Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

b) FY21 Grant Reimbursement Request from the City of Cahokia Heights in the amount of \$25,846.36 for their completed project titled: Cahokia Park Surveillance Cameras and Emergency Call Stations.

c) FY21 Grant Reimbursement Request from the Village of Millstadt in the amount of \$4,428.80 for their completed project titled: Millstadt Park – Fencing Ball Field #3.

d) FY21 Grant Reimbursement Request from St. Clair County in the amount of \$176,903.33 for their completed project titled: Engelmann Park Trailhead & Park Improvements.

Director Evans made an omnibus motion seconded by Director Achenbach to approve Section IX items B, C and D as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach Aye Jerry Kane Aye
Frank Bergman Aye Paul Evans Aye Randy Randolph Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

- e) **Resolution 21-13: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from the City of Edwardsville totaling \$237,590.00 for their project titled: IL-159 Trail.**
- f) **Resolution 21-14: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from the Village of Swansea totaling \$69,390.00 for their project titled: Schranz Memorial Park Improvements.**
- g) **Resolution 21-15: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from St. Clair Township totaling \$29,815.60 for their project titled: Centennial Park Kid's Area.**
- h) **Resolution 21-16: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from the City of O'Fallon totaling \$300,000.00 for their project titled: Ogles Creek Trail.**
- i) **Resolution 21-17: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from the St. Clair County Transit District totaling \$300,000.00 for their project titled: Old Collinsville Road Trail, Phase 4.**
- j) **Resolution 21-18: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from the Village of Godfrey totaling \$300,000.00 for their project titled: Fred E. Widman Bike Trail Phase 3.**
- k) **Resolution 21-19: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from Sugarloaf Township totaling \$27,024.00 for their project titled: Sugarloaf Township Park North.**
- l) **Resolution 21-20: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from the City of Wood River totaling \$100,000.00 for their project titled: Emerick Sports Complex-Baseball Field Renovation.**
- m) **Resolution 21-21: FY22 Park & Trail Contingent Grant Request from the City of Belleville totaling \$29,000.00 for their project titled: East End Park Improvements.**
- n) **Resolution 21-22: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from MCT totaling \$300,000.00 for their project titled: MCT Schoolhouse Trail Tunnel under IL-157.**
- o) **Resolution 21-23: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from Wood River Township totaling \$33,864.80 for their project titled: Kutter Park Pickle Ball Courts.**
- p) **Resolution 21-24: FY22 Park & Trail Grant Request from the City of Mascoutah totaling \$64,415.00 for their project titled: The L&N Railway Trail & Trailhead.**
- q) **Resolution 21-25: FY22 Park & Trail Contingent Grant Request from the Village of Worden totaling \$100,000.00 for their project titled: Worden Recreation Center.**
- r) **Resolution 21-26: FY22 Community Planning Grant Request from the City of Edwardsville totaling \$24,964.00 for their project titled: Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities Plan.**

Director Kane made an omnibus motion, seconded by Director Evans to approve Section IX, Items E through R as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Aye	Jerry Kane	Aye		
Frank Bergman	Aye	Paul Evans	Aye	Randy Randolph	Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

s) Illinois Expansion of the Gateway Arch National Park Discussion

Executive Director Werner provided a brief synopsis of the Illinois expansion efforts and ascertained the Board's interest in MEPRD representatives meeting with The Costello Group to discuss a potential contract for services related to the Illinois Expansion effort. There was consensus between the Directors that MEPRD should meet with the Costello Group to gather details and report back to the Board. Executive Director Werner agreed to proceed accordingly.

t) Report from District Attorney No report.

X. Adjournment

At 12:52 p.m. President Bergman asked to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye on a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Rene' St. Peters
Administrative Assistant**