

# City of Aurora Park Board

Aurora Police and Fire Facility  
106 S. Elliott Ave.  
Aurora, Missouri 65605  
Thursday, July 20, 2023 6:00 PM

7/20/2023 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

*President Deb Dillman called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.*

2. ROLL CALL

- President Deb Dillman                      *Present*
- Vice President Nikki Kennedy           *Present*
- Board Member David Brammell         *Present*
- Board Member Cody Murray            *Absent*
- Board Member James Pettit             *Absent for Roll Call; Arrived at 6:04 PM*
- Board Member Trevor Williams        *Present*

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Board Member David Brammell made a motion to Approve Park Board Minutes from June 15, 2023. Board Member Trevor Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed with votes documented as follows:*

- President Deb Dillman                      *Aye*
- Vice President Nikki Kennedy           *Aye*
- Board Member David Brammell         *Aye*
- Board Member Cody Murray            *Absent*
- Board Member James Pettit             *Absent for Vote*
- Board Member Trevor Williams        *Aye*

4. NEW BUSINESS

*\*President Deb Dillman made a motion to amend the agenda to allow for a Presentation from Greyson Boettler of the Eagle Scouts. Board Member Trevor Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed with votes documented as follows:*

- President Deb Dillman                      *Aye*
- Vice President Nikki Kennedy           *Aye*
- Board Member David Brammell         *Aye*
- Board Member Cody Murray            *Absent*

Board Member James Pettit      *Absent for Vote*

Board Member Trevor Williams      *Aye*

*\* Greyson Boettler's Eagle Project Presentation*

*Greyson Boettler of the Eagle Scouts presented a project he is working on for the Aurora Disc Golf Course Tee Boxes at White Park. The problem he is working to see remedied with the Disc Golf Course is the lack of sturdy bases to throw from. His project would resolve this problem by pouring concrete pads for holes 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 and gravel pads (removeable) for holes 4, 7, 8, and 9. The project, if approved, would begin August '23 and be completed December '23.*

*Board Member James Pettit made a motion to approve Greyson Boettler's Eagle Scout Project. Board Member David Brammell seconded the motion. Motion passed with votes documented as follows:*

President Deb Dillman      *Aye*

Vice President Nikki Kennedy      *Aye*

Board Member David Brammell      *Aye*

Board Member Cody Murray      *Absent*

Board Member James Pettit      *Aye*

Board Member Trevor Williams      *Aye*

*4.I - Light the Night Report*

*President Deb Dillman gave a brief report on the booth the Park Board held at Light the Night. Overall, the Park Board had a good night, sharing information about the events the Park Board is hosting.*

*4.II - Pop Up in the Park*

*Vice President Nikki Kennedy updated the Park Board members on the Pop Up in the Parks events held recently. For the most recent event, hydrants at Oak Park, Liberty Utilities donated 300 popsicles to the estimated 100 people present for the event.*

*The next event was scheduled for July 21 at Oak Park - Big Rig Event. Several local companies were set to bring their big rigs, including Aurora Fire Department and Ambulance crews.*

*4.III - Aurora Disc Golf Tournament Report*

*Board Member Trevor Williams reported on the Disc Golf Tournament held Saturday, July 15, at White Park. There were 29 competitors for the event, fewer participants than anticipated, raising a profit of \$200.00. Sponsorships received included two individual sponsorships for the tee pad signs (\$100 and one individual who will make the signs) and two corporate sponsorships for the tee pads for \$500.00.*

*4.IV - Family Fun Day Update/Discussion*

*Board Member Trevor Williams then shared his concerns that the scheduled Family Fun Day at White Park will not be well attended as it is scheduled for August 11, the same day as the Aurora Football Dinner and Auction. After several moments of deliberation, the decision was made to continue as planned.*

*4.V - Budget Wish List*

President Deb Dillman handed to each Board Member a list of all the items the Board would like to see included in the 2024 Budget. She requested that each member present rank their top 5 choices.

\*The collective wish list will be included in the signed, posted minutes.

4.VI - Foundation of the Ozarks Status with Park Board

Board Member James Pettit, in lieu of Council Liaison Theresa Pettit, presented the Park Board status with the Foundation of the Ozarks. The Aurora Park Board Fund with Foundation of the Ozarks was closed in 2018 with a little over \$2,000.00 in the account. The Park Board would like to see the account re-opened, allowing them to deposit any donations for projects and events.

4.VII - Staff Updates

With Interim Parks Director Travis Wittenborn absent due to illness, City Manager Jon Holmes gave the updates for both the Parks and Recreation Department and the City Updates. Beginning with the updates for the Parks and Recreation Department, City Manager Jon Holmes shared that much work is being done to repair cracks and problems with City courts and toilets at the parks and one of the major leaks at White Park has been repaired.

City Manager Jon Holmes then continued by updating the Aurora Park Board on grants the City is working to receive and the progress the Rec Center Design team is making. The goal for the Rec Center is to break ground in late November - December '23.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Nikki Kennedy made a motion to adjourn the Park Board meeting at 7:10 PM. Board Member James Pettit seconded the motion. Motion passed with votes documented as follows:

- President Deb Dillman                    Aye
- Vice President Nikki Kennedy        Aye
- Board Member David Brammell        Aye
- Board Member Cody Murray          Absent
- Board Member James Pettit          Aye
- Board Member Trevor Williams       Aye

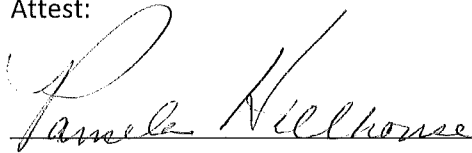
Approved:



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**Deb Dillman, President**

Attest:



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**Pamela Hillhouse, Secretary**