

**METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**  
104 United Drive, Collinsville, Illinois  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2024**

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

**II. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum**

Present            Jerry Kane, Madison County  
                      Linda Wheaton, Madison County  
                      Jon Greenstreet, St. Clair County  
                      George Markezich, St. Clair County  
                      Randy Randolph, St. Clair County

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

Absent            Mark Achenbach, Madison County

**II. Public Discussion and/or Comment** No public discussion or comments were heard.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

**Director Markezich made a motion, seconded by Director Kane, to approve the minutes from the April 9, 2024, meeting as presented.**

Voice Vote      All Ayes    Motion Carried.

**V. Consent Agenda**

**Director Greenstreet made a motion, seconded by Director Markezich, to approve the consent agenda items A-E as presented on pages 4-26.**

Voice Vote      All Ayes    Motion Carried

**VI. Finance**

**a) Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Markezich, to approve MEPRD's payments and claims for April 2024, as presented on pages 27-31.**

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Absent	Jerry Kane	Aye	Linda Wheaton	Absent
Jon Greenstreet	Aye	George Markezich	Aye	Randy Randolph	Aye

4 Ayes    0 Nays    2 Absent    0 Abstain    Motion Carried

**b) Director Greenstreet made a motion, seconded by Director Kane, to approve MMMP's payments and claims for April 2024, as presented on pages 32.**

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Absent	Jerry Kane	Aye	Linda Wheaton	Absent
Jon Greenstreet	Aye	George Markezich	Aye	Randy Randolph	Aye

4 Ayes 0 Nays 2 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.**

**Director Wheaton entered into the meeting at 11:11 a.m.**

**IX. New Business**

Executive Director Bryan Werner provided an overview of new business items A through D.

a) Review and approval of MEPRD's FY25 board meeting schedule.

**Director Greenstreet made a motion, seconded by Director Kane, to approve MEPRD's FY25 board meeting schedule as presented.**

Voice Vote All Ayes Motion Carried

b) Resolution 24-08: Approving the purchase of a replacement golf cart.

**Director Markezich made a motion, seconded by Director Kane, to approve the purchase of a replacement golf cart per Resolution 24-08.**

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Absent	Jerry Kane	Aye	Linda Wheaton	Aye
Jon Greenstreet	Aye	George Markezich	Aye	Randy Randolph	Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

c) First review of tentative FY25 Budgets per 50 ILCS 330.

d) First review of tentative FY25 Grant Programs.

Upon the conclusion of the Executive Director's overview, Director Greenstreet inquired about the rationale behind the maximum award amounts for public entities vs. nonprofits within the event sponsorship program. After a short discussion, all those in attendance felt comfortable revising the program in a manner that any eligible applicant of the event sponsorship program would be eligible for an award up to \$2,500. Executive Director Werner said the application would be revised accordingly.

**X. Executive Session**

Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to 5 ILCS 20/2(c)(1).

**At 11:52 a.m. Director Kane made a motion seconded by Director Greenstreet to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to 5 ILCS 20/2(c)(1).**

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Absent	Jerry Kane	Aye	Linda Wheaton	Aye
Jon Greenstreet	Aye	George Markezich	Aye	Randy Randolph	Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

Upon the conclusion of the executive session meeting, the regular meeting resumed at 11:54 a.m.

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Absent	Jerry Kane	Aye	Linda Wheaton	Aye
Jon Greenstreet	Aye	George Markezich	Aye	Randy Randolph	Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

**IX. New Business**

e) MEPRD Employee Compensation for FY25.

**Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Markezich, to increase employee compensation by 4% for MEPRD's FY2025 starting July 1, 2024, in addition to providing a one-time \$2,000.00 bonus to each employee.**

Roll Call Vote

Mark Achenbach	Absent	Jerry Kane	Aye	Linda Wheaton	Aye
Jon Greenstreet	Aye	George Markezich	Aye	Randy Randolph	Aye

5 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

f) Report from Edward J. Szewczyk, Attorney

Mr. Szewczyk provided a brief overview of MEPRD's current legal matters.

**XI. Adjournment**

**At 12:10 p.m. President Randolph asked to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye on a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned.**

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