

**METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**  
104 United Drive, Collinsville, Illinois  
**Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

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

**Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum**

Present            Mark Achenbach, Madison County  
                         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

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

**III. Approval of Minutes**

**Director Randolph made a motion, seconded by Director Kane, to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2024, meeting as presented.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

**IV. Consent Agenda**

**Director Markezich made a motion, seconded by Director Achenbach, to approve the consent agenda items A-E as presented on pages 4-25.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

**V. Finance**

**a) Director Kane made a motion, seconded by Director Randolph, to approve MEPRD's payments and claims for December 2024, as presented on pages 26-30 and MMMP's payments and claims for December 2024, as presented on page 31.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

**VI. 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.

**VII. Old Business** No old business was discussed.

**VIII. New Business**

Grant Coordinator Cole Preston provided an overview of new business items A through H.

- a) FY23 Park and Trail Grant Reimbursement request from the City of O’Fallon in the amount of \$213,126.16 for the completed Community Park Perimeter Shared-Use Path Project.
- b) FY23 Community Planning Grant Reimbursement request from the Village of Glen Carbon in the amount of \$35,929.00 for the completed 2023 Glen Carbon Parks and Trail Master Plan Project.
- c) FY22 Park and Trail Grant Reimbursement request from the Village of Swansea in the amount of \$69,390.00 for the completed Schranz Memorial Park Improvements Project.
- d) FY24 Park and Trail Grant Reimbursement request from the Village of Swansea in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the completed Schranz Park-Swansea Kingdom Playground Equipment Replacement Project.
- e) FY23 Park and Trail Grant Reimbursement request from the Village of Swansea in the amount of \$199,910.65 for the completed Clinton Hills Conservation Park Loop Trail Project.
- f) FY22 Park and Trail Grant Reimbursement request from the City of Wood River in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the completed Emerick Sports Complex-Baseball Field Renovation Project.

**Director Achenbach made a motion, seconded by Director Kane, to approve new business items A through F as presented.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

- g) Resolution 25-01: FY25 Park and Trail Grant request from the Granite City Park District in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the “Wilson Park Tennis & Pickleball Court Redevelopment Project”.
- h) Resolution 25-02: FY25 Park and Trail Grant request from the Village of Hartford in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the “Lewis and Clark Confluence Tower Enhancements Project”.

**Director Randolph made a motion, seconded by Director Markezich, to approve new business items G and H as presented.**

Roll Call Vote

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

6 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstain Motion Carried

i) Report from Edward J. Szewczyk, MEPRD Attorney No report for the month.

**IX. Adjournment**

At 11:47 a.m. President Wheaton asked to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye on a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rene' St. Peters, Administrative Assistant