



## PEKIN PARK DISTRICT

Minutes of  
The Regular Board Meeting of Park Commissioners  
5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11, 2026  
Robert N. Blackwell Admin Building  
Pekin, IL 61554

1. Call to order. Vice President Gillis called the meeting to order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance. All stood to recite the pledge of allegiance.
3. Roll call.  
The following Commissioners were present: Greg Ranney, Sue McMillan, Gary Gillis, Kyle Cain, Kristen Walraven and Steve Sours. Commissioners absent were: Mike Dralle. Also, in attendance was: Cameron Bettin, Executive Director.
4. Additions to and/or deletions from the agenda, if any. The ED mentioned that he forgot to add the motions for the consent agenda onto the agenda and that he has the motions written down for the Board to make when approving.
5. Public Input: None.
6. Consent Agenda:
  - A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of May 28, 2026
  - B. Approval of the bills and payroll for 05/27/26 thru 06/08/26 in the amount of \$72,985.28
  - C. Approval of bills to paid 06/12/26 in the amount of \$49,218.65

Motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented or to accept all items in the Consent Agenda except the item withdrawn.

Move to accept all items in the Consent Agenda as presented:  
Motion Greg Ranney; Second Steve Sours.  
All ayes by a voice call vote - Motion carried.

Motion to pass all items of business listed in the Consent Agenda by omnibus vote.

Move Steve Sours; Second. Kyle Cain  
All ayes by a roll call vote - Motion carried.

7. Unfinished Business: None.

8. New Business:       Tour of parks and facilities:  
                              James Field  
                              Dead Broke Ranch at McNaughton Park

The Commissioners and ED left the Board room and got on the Transit Van to head to James Field. There they looked at the completed Eagle Scout project and met with Lynette Steger who was involved with the Save James Field committee. She discussed the idea behind the spheres that were recently removed, and the importance of having interactive type amenities that are also a form of art within a park, particularly James Field. The Board and ED got on the bus to head to Dead Broke Ranch at McNaughton Park. There they met up with the group that is overseeing the renovation of the stables and now heading up the operations of the stables and its offerings. A tour of the facilities was given and a presentation of what has been done and what is planned to be done was given.

9. Adjourn.

Motion Steve Sours; Second Gary Gillis.  
All ayes by a voice call vote - Motion carried.  
Time: 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted.  
Cameron Bettin  
Assistant Board Secretary, Pekin Park District