

## **Peru Park and Recreation Minutes**

**August 12, 2025**

Board President Steve M called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

**Attendance:** Board Members – Steve Michelini, Ray Zborowski, Jill Bernal, Douglas Olivero, John Fusinato, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events - Adam Thorson

**Absent:** Board Members – Liz Grzybowski, Jeff Puetz, Dan Eiten, Scotty Miller, Recreation Manager Seth Brannan

**I- Guests:** None

### **II- Previous Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes from the July 8, 2025 meeting was made by Doug O and seconded by John F.

### **III- Revenue and Expense Report**

Adam T presented the Parks expense report. Adam T reviewed the report and stated that currently on pace and have expensed 21% of the budget.

### **IV- New Business**

#### **Communications:**

Steve M stated that 2026 Taste of the Illinois Valley may have conflicting dates with the DePue Boat Races and Cops4Cancer.

Jill B stated that Baker Lake looks great and that the mowing and trimming has been taken care of well during the summer.

### **V Unfinished Business**

#### **2025 Events:**

Adam T stated that the upcoming Movie in the Park is scheduled for Friday, August 15 showing Super Mario Brother's beginning at 7:45pm.

Adam T stated that Comedy Night at Centennial is scheduled for Saturday, August 23 from 6-7:30pm.

Adam T stated that Music Under the Oaks is scheduled for Saturday, August 30 from 5-8pm with Those 2 Guys Plus 1 performing.

### **Discuss 2025 Projects:**

Adam T stated that the West softball diamond at Veteran's Park will be closed for the rest of the summer and hopefully to reopen for the fall season due to resurfacing the infield and warning track.

Adam T stated that the playground equipment and standalone exercise equipment for Washington Park have been delivered and awaiting installation date, but hopeful for work to be completed this fall.

Adam T stated that Happ Field at Washington Park continues to be a priority to rehab the backstop and dugouts. A start date has not been identified since Waltham Junior High utilizes the field for the home games and practices, but hopeful to begin construction in September.

### **VII- Public Comment**

None

**VII- Adjournment** A motion to adjourn at 6:39pm was made by Ray Z and seconded by Doug O. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

\*\*\* Minutes submitted by Adam Thorson