# KINGSBURY PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES Monday, March 10, 2025 Kingsbury Park District Office 712 Franklin Avenue GREENVILLE, ILLINOIS

The regular Board Meeting of the Kingsbury Park District was called to order by President Barb Smith at 6:00 pm.

## Roll Call

Name	Present	Absent	Arrival Time if Present
			after Roll Call
Barb Smith	X		
William Schneck	X		
Joellen Vohlken	X		
Lynn Ulmer	X		
Greg Sanders	X		

## Others Present

Name	Title
Jerry Sauerwein	Director of KPD
Carrie Dunn	Recording Secretary
Kayla Curry	KPD Staff
Jeff Leidel	WGEL
Cheralee Vohlken	Community Member
Grant Trudel	Community Member
Mike Vohlken	Community Member
Amanda Wilkie	Community Member
Mark Sargis	Community Member

Public Hearing on the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 2025-01 for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025 at 6:01pm.

No public comments were heard.

A motion was made by	William Schneck
And seconded by	Joellen Vohlken

To: Adjourn public hearing

Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain		
Barb Smith	X					
William Schneck	X					
Joellen Vohlken	X					
Lynn Ulmer	X				M	otion
Greg Sanders	X				Approved	Not Approved
Total	5	-	-	-	X	-

Citizen Input: None heard

A motion was made by	Joellen Vohlken
And seconded by	Lynn Ulmer

to: Approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting dated February 10, 2025 as amended.

Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain		
Barb Smith	X					
William Schneck	X					
Joellen Vohlken	X					
Lynn Ulmer	X				M	otion
Greg Sanders	X				Approved	Not Approved
Total	5	-	-	-	X	-

Smith asked for an amendment to the February 10, 2025 minutes:

- 1. Page 3 should state "Sanders presented his draft agreement"
- 2. Page 5 (new building) sentence should state "was paid at closing for the year 2024 by seller"

A motion was made by	Joellen Vohlken
And seconded by	William Schneck

to: Approve the Warrant #637, and unpaid bills dated March 10, 2025.

Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain		
Barb Smith	X					
William Schneck	X					
Joellen Vohlken	X					
Lynn Ulmer	X				M	otion
Greg Sanders	X				Approved	Not Approved
Total	5	-	-	-	X	-

Checks cut after warrant -- \$155 to White Sanitation for portable toilets at Lutheran Church for soccer season and \$175 to Cor Griffith for computer work.

Scheck noted that the Fourth Fest support was on the warrant.

A motion was made by	William Schneck
And seconded by	Joellen Vohlken

*to:* Approve Ordinance 2025-01 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year January 1, 2025 to December 31,2025

Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain		
Barb Smith	X					
William Schneck	X					
Joellen Vohlken	X					
Lynn Ulmer	X				M	otion
Greg Sanders	X				Approved	Not Approved
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Sauerwein advised the board that there was one adjustment made to the budget. The G-27 Property Tax Expense was changed from \$3,795 to \$5,175 due to the tax adjustment. The District received \$3,091.68 at closing on the Franklin Street property.

A motion was made by	Greg Sanders
And seconded by	

**to:** I would like to make a motion as commissioner on board that we Act on the second part of this club proposal to deal specifically and only with the Greenville pickleball club and what they're asking. And if the you know board votes it down because it's not specific enough, that's fine. I'd like to point out certain specific aspects to it. One is

Dunn -- is this part of your motion? Can

Sanders - Yes

Dunn – Okay

Sanders -- specifically with Part B.

Dunn – Can you write some of this down because I can't write as fast as your

Sanders -- Let me, let me just verbalize it, and then I'll be happy to write it down with your support

Dunn - Okay

Sanders -- that we deal with Part B of the pickleball club proposal, and that the specifics that we approve are, number one, that KPD will allow Greenville pickleball club to schedule one or more courts for open play or league play, as long as the activity remains open to residents KPD without charge. I think that's specific. Two, at its own cost, the club is permitted to store its own equipment. We can get rid of the locked container. We can just say, in a container, I don't think that that needs to be included so that can be amended. Number three

Sauerwein – Where did you get number one from? From the first part?

Sanders -- second

Schneck – there's a section called additional policy. That's what he is talking about.

Sauerwein - no no no, I got that but I don't see anything in that

Sanders – the second little paragraph

Sauerwein – that deals with what you said one

Sanders -- Yes, the second paragraph, the first part is just kind of preamble. The second paragraph is specifically about being able to schedule courts. Okay, the next paragraph talks about being able to store our equipment on site. The next part talks about that, you know, just basically parking that. And all of this was circulated among the club and approved, just so, you know, so that. And so I feel like I need to bring it for action up or down, that we shall not assess or charge any parking OR gate fees. In other words, we're not going to use it as a fundraiser it's, you know, we're nonprofit. The next one is that we would like to have a liaison, and I think it's

appropriate for the club to choose their own liaison, and for KPD to pick their own own liaison to deal with each other. And then the last one is, you know, that we are not we would never, ever represent ourselves as being an agent of KPD or anything like that, that we're, you know, we're just a club that's received certain permission to come out there and do that. So I'm happy to put that there. But I think that is something like that is what the club would like to be able to reserve courts, hopefully to store equipment there, which is pretty specific. You know, the other things are listed right there, which I don't think are controversial, that we're not going to charge parking fees. We'd like a liaison. It kind of gets back to your point of knowing who actually is in the pickleball club, who's on the board, or whatever we'd be happy to if that's what KPD wants to know, specific board members and who the Club board chooses as liaison members. I think that is certain, certainly something they could do

Sauerwein – that paragraph about the parking, it allows you to charge for parking. If you have a tournament out their you can charge for parking.

Sanders – expect for approved. Oh, well, if we have a tournament that that, that would be covered, I'm sure, under your tournament policy, right? So we're just talking about general play when we go out there to play reserve for other times during the week. That's not tournament related.

Vote:

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A motion was made by	Barb Smith
And seconded by	Lynn Ulmer

## to: Table consideration of the Pickleball Club Agreement

Vote:

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain		
Barb Smith	X					
William Schneck	X					
Joellen Vohlken	X					
Lynn Ulmer	X				M	otion
Greg Sanders	X				Approved	Not Approved
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## **Directors Report:**

Sauerwein reviewed the following with the board:

#### **Pickleball Courts Rental**

The Board received the the pickleball court reservation document.

## **Legislative Breakfast**

The IAPD Legislative Breakfast is March 14<sup>th</sup> at 8am.

## IAPD Legislative Platform

Board members received the 2025 IAPD Legislative Platform.

#### **2024 Audit**

Sauerwein is still assembling the documents for the 2024 audit.

#### OSLAD

Netemeyer has been out to William S Wait Park to stake out the northside of the sidewalk. Pat Harris will be starting on the water line in the next week or so. Slatton's to start on the excavation work for the sidewalk in a couple of weeks. They are waiting for the ground to dry out.

#### **New Office**

Sauerwein has met with two contractors on the ADA walkway and bathroom. The ceiling in the back room will be installed on March 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Building Tax Exempt**

The District received that tax exempt status on the 712 Franklin property. Sauerwein was able to get the assessment lowered to the previous years assessment.

#### **Trees at Patriots Park**

The District is removing ash trees at Patriot's Park that are dead from the emerald ash borer.

### Spring Soccer, Ball Season, Barn Quilt and Recreation

Spring soccer started on March 3rd. We lost Tuesday and Wednesday due to inclement weather. The college is on Spring Break the week of March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Joellen is volunteering to do some barn quilt classes and they are going over very well. The classes are held at the Bond County Senior Center and the District thanks the Senior Center for allowing us to use the facility.

Summer Hiring is ongoing.

Comets Give Back Day is May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### Disc Golf

Sauerwein has met with a citizen that would like to make more improvements to the disc golf course at Patriots Park. The maintenance staff has done an excellent job working on the course over the past 3 years. We will meet again with the disc golfer in the next month to get some more input for improvements that could be made to the course.

## **Pool and Recreation Report**

The board packets included the pool and recreation report for 2024. A payroll forecast for the pool and pool admission report was included. 2025 is the last year of minimum raising one dollar per hour (minimum wage will be \$15 per hour in 2025). Last year we did not increase pool fees. The pool admission report shows an example of a 0, 5%, 8% and a 12% increase. The tentative opening day for the pool will be Memorial Day Monday, May 26, 2025. Curry spoke on the pool parties, possibility of eliminating Sunday open swim due to low attendance and making that a pool party rental day, not raising admission fees.

A motion was made by	Joellen Vohlken
And seconded by	William Schneck

to: Adjourn the regularly scheduled Board Meeting at 7:25 pm.

All present signified with Aye.