

## MINUTES – ST. CLAIR COUNTY PARKS GRANT COMMISSION

October 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Mr. Simmons, Chairman. Roll call was taken showing a quorum as follows:

### **Members Present:**

Herbert Simmons, Chairman  
Jerry Albrecht  
Dick Battas  
Tom Schrag

### **Members Absent:**

Mike Todd, Excused

### **Others Present:**

Sami Gruberman, Executive Secretary

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:**

None

### **MINUTES:**

Upon a motion by Mr. Albrecht and seconded by Mr. Schrag, it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2023 meeting.

### **REVENUE REPORT:**

Ms. Gruberman advised current cash balance was \$2,166,661.49.

### **ACTIVITY REPORT:**

Ms. Gruberman gave the Activity Report which included that the Village of Caseyville has an outstanding grant from Cycle 28.

Upon a motion by Mr. Schrag and seconded by Mr. Albrecht, it was unanimously agreed to approve the Revenue and Activity Reports given by Ms. Gruberman. Motion passed unanimously.

### **DISCUSSION:**

DISCUSSION AND AWARDING OF PARK GRANTS FOR CYCLE 29 ARE LISTED BELOW:

City of Cahokia Heights: Security Cameras - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Battas to approve this application in the amount of \$42,904. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Canteen Township: Tractor, Mower & Equipment - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of Caseyville: Mower & Equipment - \$39,180.16. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to deny this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will NOT be funded.

Caseyville Township: Security System- \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Battas to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

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City of Collinsville: Playground Equipment: \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Schrag to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of Dupon: Picnic Tables, Resurfacing & Exercise Equipment- \$47,486.46. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

East St. Louis Park District: Playground Equipment- \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of Fairmont City: Basketball Court- \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Battas to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

City of Fairview Heights: Single Shelters- \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Battas, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of Fayetteville: Walking Trail - \$49,740. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of Freeburg: Walking Trail & Resurfacing Parking Lot - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Freeburg Park District: Mower & Equipment - \$38,121. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Schrag to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Horner Park District: Basketball Court, Security System & Playground Equipment - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Schrag to approve this application and request verification of ownership and pictures after completion. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of Marissa: Playground Equipment, Rubber Mulch & Handicap Parking- \$49,854.09. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Schrag to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of Millstadt: Playground Equipment - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Battas to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of New Athens: Walking Trail & Pavilion Upgrades - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application in the amount of \$31,840.23. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

City of O'Fallon: Fitness Playground - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Schrag to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

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St. Clair County: Resurfacing Park Roads - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Battas to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

St. Clair County Greenspace Foundation: Invasive Plant Removal & Handrail & Signage Repairs - \$31,980. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to deny this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will NOT be funded.

St. Clair Township: Pickleball Courts - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of St. Libory: - Mower & Equipment - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Schrag to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Stookey Township: Athletic Storage Facility - \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Schrag to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Sugar Loaf Township: - Playground Equipment, Mower & Security Cameras- \$43,661.64. Motion was made by Mr. Schrag, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

Village of Summerfield: - Playground Equipment & Basketball Court Upgrades – \$23,194.29. Motion was made by Mr. Albrecht, seconded by Mr. Battas to approve this application. The motion passed unanimously. The project will be funded.

Village of Swansea: - Playground Equipment- \$50,000. Motion was made by Mr. Battas, seconded by Mr. Albrecht to approve this application pending award of MEPRD grant. The motion passed unanimously. This project will be funded.

In other business, a discussion was had that Cycle 30 will be for equipment only and the maximum grant award would be \$25,000.

Upon a motion by Mr. Schrag and seconded by Mr. Battas, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m.