

Peoria Municipal Band Commission Minutes

October 10, 2024

Constance at Bradley University

In attendance: Molly Slotter, Chair; Dr. David Vroman, Director; George Graves, Jr., Manager; Denise Cooksey, Liaison; and Commissioners: Mary Barthel, Marcia Boyer, and Dave Liddle.

Called to Order: 8 am.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2024, meeting was made by Dave Liddle and seconded by Marcia Boyer

Manager's Report: George had no bills to present. He reported that the speakers finally came in on September 19. He and Todd tested them, and they were moved to city storage on Sept. 20. George added the new equipment to our insurance policy.

Director's Report: Dr. Vroman talked about a survey he is sending to band members reflecting on this past season. Responses will be emailed to boyer4985@comcast.net and compiled. A report will follow. Dave received a letter from Sean Slagel complimenting the band and singer for a concert they attended. He and his son drove from Normal.

He suggested several ways to advertise the concerts:

- Dave Liddle said CEFCU will stuff the mailings with our ad.
- Advertise on local communities' Facebook pages
- Stacy Peterson put concerts on the cities' website.
- Get city departments recognized
- Have student groups join in performance so parents/grandparents will attend.
- Ways to "grow our brand".

Old Business: Molly suggested we put a thank you for gift card donations in a card and mail it at Christmas.

Sound equipment update: We paid Todd \$180/concert from the city budget. We also owe Todd \$6,600 for equipment rental since the equipment we ordered did not arrive on time and we had to use Todd's equipment. Dave Liddle moved, seconded by Mary, to pay Todd after approaching the city to see if they will pay half. We learned that Tim Rydecki is no longer with the city so Dr. Vroman contacted Justin Danyus to see if the city could pay part of the bill. Dr. Vroman will email him the details and Justin will email back a response.

New Business: There was no new business.

Mary moved, seconded by Dave, to adjourn at 9:04 a.m.

Submitted by,
Marcia Boyer