

Peoria Municipal Band Commission Minutes

June 25, 2026

Dingeldine Music Center at Bradley University

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

Called to Order: 8:02 am.

New Business:

Ron Silver, Peoria Park District Trustee representing the Northern District, came to address the Commission regarding the formation of an Ad Hoc Park District Amphitheater Group. The purpose will be to explore what type of structure and where this might be built to serve Peoria Municipal Band concerts 5-15 years in the future. The goal is to increase attendance at cultural events. Options might include improving or reorienting the present band shell or building a new structure at a new site.

Mr. Silver is inviting 2-3 people from the Commission to join the group which would meet 3-4 times in the next 6 months for 2-3 hours each time. These meetings would be open to the public.

Discussion continued concerning possible sites, desired facilities, and the need for adequate security. After Mr. Silver left, Denise Cooksey and Dave Liddle volunteered to serve on this committee.

I will notify Mr. Silver of our recommendation that Denise and Dave join the committee. This will need to be formally approved by Park District President Robert L. Johnson.

A motion to adjourn at 8:48 was made by Don and seconded by Marcia.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Slotter