



PARKS & EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025

LOCATION: SHERMAN VILLAGE HALL, 401 ST JOHN'S DRIVE, SHERMAN, IL 62684

TIME: 5:30PM

TYPE: PARKS & EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING

VILLAGE BOARD IN ATTENDANCE

Brian Long, Chair; Beth Fox, Trustee; Pam Gray, Trustee, Krista Sherrock, Trustee

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Michael Stratton, Village Administrator, Deputy Clerk; Sean Bull, Marketing & Events Coordinator

OPENING

1. Roll Call Vote. Chair Long called for roll call by the Deputy Clerk. All members of the Committee were present. Alternate Member Krista Sherrock excused absence.
2. Pledge of Allegiance. Pam Gray led the Committee in Pledge of Allegiance.

CLERKS REPORT

1. Minutes of November 4, 2025. Deputy Clerk Stratton presented the Committee minutes of the November 4, 2025 Parks & Events Committee. Chair Long requested any changes to the minutes. There being none, Chair Long called for a *Motion to approve the Minutes of November 4, 2025 of the Parks & Events Committee as presented by the Clerk, Motion by Gray, Second by Fox. Roll Call Vote. Ayes having it. 4-0. Motion Passed.*

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE (FROM SIGN IN SHEET)

No one was present to address Committee

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

1. Tree Lighting Ceremony. Bull provided an update on the tree lighting event that was cancelled due to severe weather conditions and that plans are underway to map out different date and program for 2026 event.
2. Christmas Party. Bull provided an update on the event that was moved from the Park to the Sherman Athletic Club and noted 2622 gift bags were distributed.

3. July 4 Fireworks Celebration. Committee discussed the plans for the 2026 July 4 Fireworks spectacular and that it is the 250th birthday of the United States. Plans are being reviewed to enhance the program for 2026 in light of the 250th Birthday of the United States.
4. Route 66 Mother Road 100th Birthday in 2026. Committee discussed planning for a route 66 birthday celebration for 2026 possibly in September and coordinate with other groups.
5. Willie the Frog. Bull provided information to the Board that the program is currently running that participation is high and the awards ceremony is planned for Sunday, December 14 at the Sherman Athletic Club.
6. Concert Series 2026. Committee discussed reducing gate fees, reducing the number of concerts, sponsorship opportunities, concert history of expenses and revenues for planning of the 2026 Live Concert Series.
7. Splash Pad Holiday Gift Card Sale. Splash pad promotion went out on November 28 for \$40 individual and \$100 family pass. Bull reported one sale of \$100 was collected under this program to date.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Noone signed in or was present to address Committee

AJOURNMENT:

Chair Long noted there were no further matters to come before the Committee. Chair Long requested a *Motion to adjourn the public committee meeting. Motion by Trustee Sherrock; seconded by Trustee Gray. Voice Vote with the Ayes having it 4/0. Motion Passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:39pm.*