

Minutes for the City of Sterling Municipal Band Commission

July 12, 2021

Commissioners:

Gonzalo S. Reyes – Chair

Kevin O’Keefe – Vice Chair

Amy Boze – Secretary

Allen Lee – Treasurer

Tony Crisp

Staff:

Annette Hackbarth – Director

Paul Ausman – Band Manager**absent**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Sterling Municipal Band Commission was held on 7/12/2021 at 6:15 p.m. in the North Conference Room at City Hall, 212 Third Ave, Sterling, IL. 61081.

Commissioner Reyes called the meeting to order and attendance was taken showing five Commissioners were present.

II. CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner O’Keefe made a motion to approve the following consent items:

June 7, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Band Director Report

Band Manager Report

Commissioner Lee seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

III. FINANCIAL REPORT

Commissioner Lee presented the Financial report showing:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Personnel:	\$61,000	\$9,200.00
Materials and Services:	\$39,038	\$11,435.16
Capital Expenses:	\$9,050	\$4,662.97
Revenue:	\$91,294.00	\$54,227.15

Commissioner Lee gave the financial report as shown above and stated that the working balance is \$28,929.02.

Band Manager Ausman will be sending thank you letters out to our donors, as well as contacting Tim Tedrick to get a verbal commitment for the canons in the 2022 Summer season.

Commissioner O'Keefe made a motion to receive the report. It was seconded by Commissioner Crisp and carried unanimously.

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No requests were made by members of the public for comment.

V. OLD BUSINESS

For the Kidz Konzert, Commissioner O'Keefe will lead the kids around the park during the Teddy Bear Picnic. Culvers has donated 150 ice cream tokens for the goodie bags. The available Commissioners will assemble the goodie bags during the July 13th rehearsal.

Director Hackbarth has e-mailed a flyer for Dr. Bough's clinic to the local area band directors, and will push it at the next few rehearsals. She will pick up a couple cases of water for the afternoon. Thanks to the generous support of Griggs Music (\$200) and Yamaha (\$150.) The clinic will be free for us to host.

Commissioner Reyes spoke with Turnroth Signs. The billboard at Walmart is already booked for next summer. We will be able to have the billboard on Lynn Blvd. near the credit union, and the one by Angelo's. Director Hackbarth sent a press release to SVN about the 144th Band playing on the 24th.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Director Hackbarth is feeling rushed in the time between pre-concert and our performance, particularly when the pre-concert groups go over. No official changes will be made this season, but for next year, we would like to try having pre-concert from 6:15ish until 7:00. Annette would like more time to finish setting up the percussion, talk through sections that will need extra attention, sound checks with soloists, etc.

Commissioner Reyes will ask Baja to perform for pre-concert on 28th. The other band (Robbie LeBlanc) will be asked to perform next year.

For the End of the Season Pizza Party, Angelo's probably won't be available for dine-in due to remodeling. Commissioner Reyes will double check, and also talk to Al & Leda's and Dairy Mart to see if they have room.

Commissioner Reyes has entered the band in to the Fiesta Day Parade (on a trailer, not marching) and given them Director Hackbarth's contact info to coordinate. She will order flip folders and price banners at Turnroth and Vista Print. She will also price magnets with the 2022 schedule to pass out, and check around for someone who will loan us a trailer.

Commissioner Lee stated that now is the time to re-think the format of the Winter Pops Concerts. We like the location, but food would need to be pre-packaged. Maybe just a simple dessert.

Commissioner Lee reported on keeping copies of guest director and pre-concert W-9's since the city doesn't and it's a hassle when we repeat people. He has already discussed the matter with Band Manager Ausman, who was in complete agreement. Mr. Ausman will keep them on file and submit them for each subsequent appearance.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

For the 4th of July concert next year, we need to plan on more flags and necklaces. We had around 300 this year, and it wasn't enough. (Attendance was 886!) Many thanks to Tom & Dianne Ausman for helping at the caretta for that concert. We appreciate it and they do a great job. In the future, if they are asked again, we will make sure they have band shirts so they look official.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner O'Keefe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Crisp seconded the motion which carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes were taken by Commissioner Amy Boze, Secretary and submitted to Band Manager Paul Ausman for submission to the Clerk of the City of Sterling.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Ausman", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Paul Ausman

SMB Band Manager

**The next regular meeting of the Sterling Municipal Band Commission will be
Tuesday August 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers
located on the first floor of City Hall, 212 Third Ave, Sterling, IL. 61081**