

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING

October 6, 2015

The Parks and Recreation Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in the Community Services Board Room. Board members present were Gary Grubbs, Jeff Goodin, Robyn Wertheim, Leigh Black, and Leroy King. Board members not present were Terry Johnson, and Marc Orner. Community Services staff present were James Childers, Director, Lesli Andrews, Assistant Director, Richard Rodgers, Parks Division Manager, Jeff White, Recreation/Senior Administrator, John Black, Zoo Business Operations Manager, Stanley Smith, Legal and Kaitlin Richardson, Secretary.

Gary Grubbs called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

Invocation was given by Leroy King.

Robyn Wertheim moved that the minutes be approved for the September 1, 2015 meeting. Leroy King seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Possible ordinance changes regarding alcohol use in Nelson Park: James Childers presented a spreadsheet with different surrounding cities and what their policies were on allowing alcohol in Parks. There were a few suggestions on the possibility of allowing alcohol in Nelson Park. Suggestions included designating a certain area in the Park; what types of alcohol are allowed in the Park, and hours allowed in Park. Some of the concerns included security, and the possible increase of littering.

Operational Report (Bond Status)(Recreation/Seniors)(Parks)(Zoo):

Bond Status-Aquatics: Jeff White gave a brief presentation on the different Aquatic facilities he toured in the surrounding area. Some of the facilities that Jeff White was impressed with was the ability to reserve a pavilion, and some of the different amenities each facility offered to increase revenue.

Recreation: The Heels and Wheels event took place last weekend. Mingle with Your Mutt turned out to be a big hit. During this event the movie Frankenweenie played for the public to enjoy watching with their dog and family members.

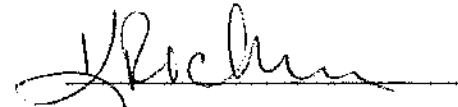
Seniors: A Zumba class is now being offered to our seniors.

Parks: Parks employees are in the early stages of pouring concrete slabs for the pavilions that will be installed by Fort Imagination, and 1,500 plants are scheduled to be delivered to be placed in front and around the Zoo sign. Mowing has slowed down slightly.

Zoo: The Giraffe exhibit is still in progress, and the fee increase for Zoo admission has been approved by City Council.

Meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m.


Chair


Secretary