

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING

August 21, 2018

The Parks and Recreation Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in Council Chambers. Board members present were Gary Grubbs, Marc Orner, Jeff Goodin, Michael Homer Leigh Black and David Pittman. Board members not present were Robyn Wertheim. Community Services staff present were Lesli Andrews, Director, Chris Gibson, Assistant Director, Stanley Smith, Legal, and Kaitlin Richardson, Secretary.

Gary Grubbs called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Invocation was given by Jeff Goodin.

Jeff Goodin moved the minutes be approved for the Regular Meeting on June 19, 2018. Leigh Black seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Update of parks Maintenance and CIP funding: Lesli Andrews stated she wanted to clarify that the park roads and parking lots are a part of the Abilene street infrastructure and are eligible under the street maintenance fee program.

Review and Approval of the sculptures for SculpTOUR 2018: Lesli Andrews stated that we have an agreement with the railroad along the right of way on North 1st in partnership with the Abilene Cultural Affairs. The Visual Arts Jury is the board that selects and approves each piece and then those pieces are brought to the Parks and Recreation Board for approval. These sculptures are on loan for two years. The Parks Division helps install and secure the sculptures. Marc Orner moved to approve the sculptures. Michael Homer seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Facility Management Agreement for Rose Tennis Center: Lesli Andrews stated the Professional Services contract for the Rose Tennis Center is now up for renewal with Chris Redman. Approval of this contract will extend the term for an additional three years. Jeff Goodin moved to approve the contract. David Pittman seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Abilene Christian University Recreation Survey: Chris Gibson stated ACU was approached by the Recreation Advisory Committee to create a survey collecting information on the recreation centers. Three specific areas were included in the survey; aspects of services we offer, improvement needs and demographics. The survey outlined the most used services were sports programs, senior programs, gym use, and the summer program. The highest improvement needs were the physical buildings, bathrooms, etc., also the sports opportunities and equipment. Gary Grubbs asked what type of equipment the survey was referring too. Chris Gibson stated the needs varied from gym flooring, volleyball nets, and basketball goals, etc.

Operational Reports:

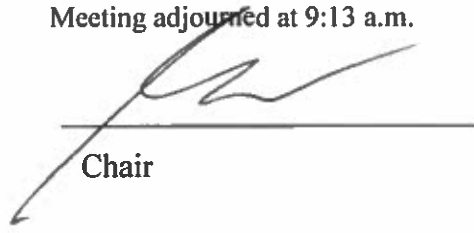
Recreation: Jeff White stated the youth volleyball registration is underway. Mr. White also presented Adventure Cove's admission and concession numbers. The next Dive in Movie is Lego Ninjago on August 24. The Redbud Splash Pad opened on July 20 and Sears Splash Pad opened on August 17. At this time, Nelson Splash Pad is currently out of commission for maintenance.

Seniors: Jeff White gave an update on the Senior Talent Show that will be August 25 at the Abilene Convention Center. There will be 35 acts for this show. October 20 is the one-day getaway for seniors to Granbury Texas. Thursday nights is when dance classes take place.

Parks: Richard Rodgers stated that the mowing operations are going on as usual and that most parks are scheduled to be mowed every two weeks. The Parks Division also assisted with the preparation and clean up for the Independence Day celebration in Nelson Park. They also assisted with the Sancudo Reunion at Flores Park, West Texas State Little League Tournament, and the Dachshund Races at Festival Gardens. The Splash pad signs have been installed and repaired. Richard Rodgers gave an update on the waterfall at Minter Park. This waterfall is in need of replacement.

Zoo: Bill Gersonde gave an update on the new female sloth as she has found a new home in the old reptile
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Meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.



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Secretary