

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 25, 2022

**THIS IS A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON
NOVEMBER 22, 2022**

The Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting held October 25, 2022 at the Excelsior Springs Community Center was called to order by President Jake Simmons at 6:04 p.m.

Roll call was taken with seven board members present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: President - Jake Simmons; Secretary - Scott Buckman; Sherri Branson-Hurt; Terri Irons; Jessica Meyer; Kyle Uptegrove; Zac Wilkins

MEMBERS ABSENT: Patrick Halfhill, Reggie St. John

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON: Mark Spohn

STAFF PRESENT: Nate Williams – Director; Chad Clevenger – Parks and Open Space Manager; Janet Morehead – Administrative Assistant - arrived at 6:13

Sherri Branson-Hurt made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Kyle Uptegrove seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Scott Buckman, Terri Irons, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

VISITORS: none

Scott Buckman made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2022 Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting as presented. Terri Irons seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Scott Buckman, Terri Irons, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

Discussion was held on the October 27, 2022 FY 21/22 Financial Report. Questions were asked and answered.

Scott Buckman made the motion to accept the October 25, 2022 Financial Reports including Account Balance List dated 10-20-2022, 2022 Balance Sheet dated 10-20-2022; General Ledger Activity Listing dated 10-20-2022 and Nate Williams' 2021-2022 Working Budget through 9-30-2022.

Kyle Uptegrove seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Scott Buckman, Terri Irons, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

STAFF REPORTS

The Staff Reports were discussed.

Signage for the pickleball courts at Regent Park was discussed. Skateboards and scooters have been seen on the courts.

Rainbow Splash Park has been on a learning curve this year.

A sidewalk has been poured at Century Park. It is an extension from the current sidewalk to the playground area. A water fountain was also installed.

Directional boring for the sewer for the new maintenance facility started last Friday. Plans are to pour the piers on November 18 and on the following Monday to start on the floor.

When asked about the Lane of Lights, East Valley Park has been reserved for it. The Downtown Excelsior Springs Partnership (DEP) is in charge of the Lane of Light. DEP hopes to get the Lane set up this weekend.

The “Officials” position was discussed. Officials’, coaches’, and parents' roles at youth sporting events were discussed.

Drake Pollard submitted a report on the FEAT program. Possibilities include a sports performance section in physical education at the Excelsior Springs Middle School. Drake wants to broaden the reach of FEAT and the youth.

Paint Your Pumpkin is this Friday, October 28, 2022 at the Community Center. Bring your own pumpkin to paint. Paint, etc. will be supplied.

The Fall Festival is this Saturday, October 29, 2022 at the Community Center.

There was a good turnout at Youth Night at the High School soccer game on October 12, 2022.

New name tags for the employees at the Community Center will reflect their personality based

on the Color Personality Test. This will assist each employee in the way they approach and conduct business with each other.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - none

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Nate Williams discussed the 2023 Apparel bids received. Bids were sent to ten companies. Two bids were received: TW Sports from Smithville, MO and Hustle and Heart, Excelsior Springs, MO.

Discussion was held.

Terri Irons made the motion to accept the bid of Hustle and Heart for the 2023 Apparel. Scott Buckman seconded the motion, motion passed 7 - 0. A roll call vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Scott Buckman, Terri Irons, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

Christi Rice, President, Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Foundation submitted a letter asking that Chase Schutte and Alyx Schwab be appointed to the ESPR Foundation.

Discussion was held.

Terri Irons made the motion to appoint Chase Schutte and Alyx Schwab to the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Foundation. Kyle Uptegrove seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 - 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Scott Buckman, Terri Irons, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

OPEN DISCUSSION

The Community Center's Pumpkin Plunge held October 22, 2022 had 82 participants.

Paint Your Pumpkin will be this Friday, October 28, 2022. Bring your own pumpkin and the paints will be provided.

The Fall Festival will be held this Saturday, October 29, 2022 at the Community Center.

The ESPR Board discussed sponsorships for special events and current cost recovery for special events.

As of October 1, 2022, the Senior Center is officially under the Excelsior Springs Community Center. October 1 is the first day of the 2022/2023 fiscal budget.

Zac Wilkins made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Scott Buckman seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 - 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Scott Buckman, Terri Irons, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

The October 25, 2022 Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.