

Don Ledford made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2017 Parks and Recreation Board meeting as presented. Susan McAuliffe seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill, Don Ledford, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Scott Smith, Reggie St. John
Nays – 0

After questions were asked and answered about the Financial Report, Patrick Halfhill made the motion to accept the Financial Report dated August 31, 2017 and prepared September 1, 2017. Scott Smith seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill, Don Ledford, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Scott Smith, Reggie St. John
Nays – 0

STAFF REPORTS

Chad Clevenger updated the Board on the projects that the maintenance crew is working on: Siloam Mountain – waiting on parts; Sunnyside Park gazebos – small gazebo has been repainted and repaired and working on the larger one; Eddie Raper Park – handrail has been worked on; and the Regent Park Skate Park launch ramp has been returned and has been reinstalled! It was dropped it off in the ditch by the skate park.

Jake Simmons arrived at 1828 hours.

The new Parks and Recreation Department website is live! Nate Williams handed out an information sheet on the website and new email addresses for staff.

Nate informed the Board that ideas for the website are welcome.

Touch-A-Truck on September 16 had approximately 250 children! Thanks to all who brought vehicles!

The Ultimate Frisbee was fun and fast paced and more plans are being made.

The response and involvement in the first Excelsior Springs Community Challenge has been real good. Issues are being worked out to make next year's bigger and better!

Kendra Beaver is working on getting sponsors, runners and zombies for the Zombie 5-K. The Zombie 5-K is October 21.

Nate Williams and Keith Winge discussed the Memorial Tree Program. Nate will be updating that information.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Recreation/Programs Committee will meet October 17, 2017 at 6 pm at the

Community Center.

Members are: Sherri Branson-Hurt, Lynette Manley, Scott Smith and Reggie St. John as ex officio member.

The Parks Committee will meet November 14, 2017 at 6 pm at the Community Center. Members are: Susan McAuliffe, Christy Marker, Don Ledford and Reggie St. John as ex officio member.

OLD BUSINESS

The Excelsior Springs Community Challenge month is going well. Bowling will be this Saturday and the final activities along with a Family Fun Day will be on Saturday, September 30.

With this being the pilot year for the ES Community Challenge, hopefully any issues will be addressed. It is being heard that other companies would like to be included in the next Excelsior Springs Community Challenge.

The new Parks and Recreation website and emails have already been discussed and Nate Williams reiterated that he is open to suggestions for the website.

NEW BUSINESS

The Zombie 5-K was discussed in Staff Reports. The t-shirt design is being developed.

Blue, Gold, Green, Orange is a personality test that Nate asked the Board to complete. He handed out informational sheets on the colors.

Before Scott Smith left the meeting at 1900 hours, he made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2017 Parks and Recreation Board meeting as presented. Patrick Halfhill seconded the motion, motion passed, 5 – 0 – 3. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 5 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill, Jake Simmons, Scott Smith, Reggie St. John Nays – 0 Abstentions – Don Ledford, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe – they were not in attendance at the July 25, 2017 meeting

OPEN DISCUSSION

At 1901 hours the Board took a break to walk to see the turkey buzzards and roost.

At 1911 hours the Board reconvened the meeting.

Nate Williams reminded the Board that he would be attending the National Recreation

and Parks Association Conference next week.

Sherri Branson-Hurt made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Susan McAuliffe seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill, Don Ledford, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John Nays – 0

Meeting adjourned at 1916 hours.