

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 19, 2016

The Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Department Board meeting held April 19, 2016 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Susan McAuliffe.

Roll call was taken with seven board members present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Susan McAuliffe, President; Reggie St. John, Vice President; Christy Marker, Secretary; Scott Smith, Treasurer; Sherri Branson-Hurt; Jason Cole; Jody Pasalich

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lynette Manley, Jake Simmons

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON: Brad Eales

STAFF PRESENT: Nate Williams, Director; Chad Clevenger, Parks Superintendent; Janet Morehead, Administrative Assistant – Office

VISITORS: Kevin Morgan was here to take the Board picture.

Susan McAuliffe called for the consideration of the agenda.

Christy Marker made the motion to accept the agenda as presented. Sherri Branson-Hurt seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands votes was taken. Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Jason Cole, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jody Pasalich, Scott Smith, Reggie St. John Nays – 0

Kevin Morgan was introduced as a visitor. He is here to take the Board picture. The Board then proceeded to take pictures outside.

Kevin Morgan left after he took Board pictures.

Christy Marker made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2016 Parks and Recreation Board meeting as presented. Reggie St. John seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken. Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Jason Cole, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jody Pasalich, Scott Smith, Reggie St. John Nays – 0

After questions were asked and answered about the financial report, Reggie St. John

made the motion to approve the financial report dated February 29, 2016 and prepared April 11, 2016. Sherri Branson-Hurt seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken. Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Jason Cole, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jody Pasalich, Scott Smith, Reggie St. John Nays – 0

Nate Williams asked the Board if they wanted all of the financial reports that were included in this Board packet. Reggie St. John did not feel that the check number report was necessary. General consensus of the Board agreed that the report could be left out of the Board packet.

STAFF REPORTS

Grass is growing on Piburn Field. It is baby grass but it is growing. Piburn Field will not be able to be used this year. The grass needs to get established. The gates are chained shut and closed signs are posted. A warning track is being added to the outfield.

Nate Williams, Chad Clevenger and Cory Wartner, Codes, met and determined the boundaries of Eddie Raper Park, the lots on Curtis Avenue.

The lots on Curtis Avenue are being cleaned up – trees and brush removed, broken concrete removed, etc.

It has been suggested that at the half-court basketball court, the basketball pole be placed in a sleeve and the sleeve concreted in place, just in case there is damage done.

The Egg Hunt was held on March 26. It was cold and drizzly but there were still a bunch of egg hunters that enjoyed it. Over 4,000 eggs were scattered throughout the fields.

The Department received a report from FEMA regarding the flood damage at Piburn Field. The Department will be receiving approximately \$8,300 from FEMA.

The Department has not heard from the City's insurance yet.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - none

OLD BUSINESS

Nate Williams gave an update on the Milwaukee Street Park project. He will be meeting with Kim and Gary Sanson.

Nate Williams reported that the Capital Improvement Authority has approved \$62,143 for a 2" asphalt overlay of the Rainbow Trail that runs along 69 Highway from Tracy Avenue to the Hospital, the Sunnyside Park driveway and parking spaces. It goes before the City Council on May 2.

NEW BUSINESS

Nate Williams shared the summary of the Strategic Planning Survey with the Boardmembers. A paper copy of the summary was handed out. There were 175 responses included in the results. Three surveys came in after the deadline,

The survey results were discussed.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Jody Pasalich asked if any of the Parks and Recreation trails allowed mopeds or dirt bikes. There are possibly one or two and Rainbow trail by south of Kings Addition is not one of them. Nate Williams and Chad Clevenger will check on rules and signage.

Susan McAuliffe said that the Parks and Rec Foundation met and will be doing the Piccadilly as their main fundraiser. They will not have the bounce houses or water activities at Waterfest.

Susan McAuliffe informed the Board that Christy Marker, Scott Smith, and Susan's terms expire in May. Please let Nate Williams know if you want to be reappointed. The three indicated that they would like to be reappointed.

Nate met with Doug Richey, Pastor at Pisgah Baptist Church, about partnering with the Parks and Recreation Department when a triple crown hiker comes to town in October. More information will be coming.

Christy Marker will not be at the June meeting.

Susan McAuliffe adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.