

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 22, 2019

THIS IS A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON FEB 19, 2019

The Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting held January 22, 2019 was called to order by President Reggie St. John at 1801 hours.

Roll call was taken with five board members present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: President – Reggie St. John; Secretary – Zac Wilkins; Treasurer – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill; Susan McAuliffe

Don Ledford arrived at 1804.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Christy Marker, Jake Simmons, Scott Smith

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON: Sharon Powell

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

VISITOR: Kimberely Blackburn, The Excelsior Springs Standard

Patrick Halfhill made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Susan McAuliffe seconded the motion, motion passed, 5 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 5 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill, Susan McAuliffe, Reggie St. John, Zac Wilkins
Nays – 0

Patrick Halfhill made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2018 Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting as presented. Zac Wilkins seconded the motion, motion passed, 5 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 5 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill, Susan McAuliffe, Reggie St. John, Zac Wilkins
Nays – 0

The Financial Report was discussed. Various questions were asked and answered.

Don Ledford arrived at 1804 hours.

The working budget is up to date. Nate Williams will follow up with Steve Marriott.

Patrick Halfhill made the motion to accept the Financial Report and FY 2018-2019 Budget Report dated December 31, 2018 and prepared January 9, 2019 as presented. Susan McAuliffe seconded the motion, motion passed, 6 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 6 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill, Don Ledford, Susan McAuliffe, Reggie St. John, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

STAFF REPORT

Nate Williams announced the winner of the ESports Tournament. Congratulations to the Honey Butter Chicken Biscuits team that won the Rocket League Tournament on January 21, 2019. The E-Sport Tournament was a collaboration between the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Department and the Excelsior Springs Community Center. There were seven teams entered.

Maintenance crew has been busy with projects and snow removal/treatment.

Discussion has been held on hosting more E-Sport Tournaments, possibly FIFA 2018 or Mario Cart. E-Sport offerings will be non-shooting games.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Revenue Committee – Patrick Halfhill, Jake Simmons and Scott Smith – will meet on February 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Nate will contact Jake and Scott.

OLD BUSINESS

Nate Williams said that the Parks and Recreation Department is moving forward with the possibility of relocating to the outdoor hangar at the airport. Chad Clevenger has priced garage doors, insulation, heater, tin for the inside, lighting, electrical, etc. for a cost of around \$50,000.00. The costs are estimates and could fluctuate.

When asked, Chad Clevenger said that there would be at least three garage doors, blown insulation in the ceiling, and concrete filled bollards to protect the garage doors tracks.

The pallet racking is on hand for the recreation equipment storage.

Nate Williams will be contacting Molly McGovern, City Manager, about the hangar and the old fire station.

NEW BUSINESS

Nate Williams shared with the Parks and Recreation Board information from Jesse Hall,

Excelsior Springs Community Center Executive Director, about the Community Foundation. It might be a possibility that in the future, the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Foundation could operate the same but under the Community Foundation's umbrella. Details of the Community Foundation have not been finalized.

There are still 27 tickets available for the Piccadilly on April 6, 2019. Tickets are only \$50. Please contact Nate Williams or the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Office to purchase tickets. Splish Splash – It's a Splash Park Bash! is this year's theme. Should be colorful and bright and a great time!

Nate Williams challenged Kendra Beaver, Parks and Recreation Coordinator and Jeff Barge, Senior Center Administrator to come up with ideas for new programs. Some of Kendra's ideas are E-Sports, Trivia Night, Youth Golf Clinic, Partnering with Lawson Parks and Rec, Family Tennis Lessons, Walk a Hound – Lose a Pound, and additional social media fun activities. Jeff's suggestions include PEPPI, E-Bowling League, Senior Movie Matinee, Video Tai Chi, Senior Gardening, Art Club, Old Time Photographs, Senior Coloring, Skillbuilders, Cornhole, and an Afternoon Tea.

On Tuesday, January 29, 2019, Nate Williams, Kendra Beaver and Brittanie Propes – Excelsior Springs Community Center Operations Manager, will travel to Jefferson City and attend the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association Legislature Action Day.

Next week, Nate Williams is up for Director Elect of the MPRA's Northwest Region. When asked what that meant, he replied that if elected he would be the Director Elect of the MPRA's Northwest Region. He would chair the NW Region meetings in absence of the Director and work on outreach for the NW Region.

Nate, Kendra, Brittanie and Andrew Morris-Excelsior Springs Community Center Business Manager- will be attending the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association's Conference the week of February 25, 2019. Neelay Bhatt will be a presenter.

The Parks and Rec Board will meet on February 19, 2019 because Nate will be at the MPRA Conference the week of February 25.

OPEN DISCUSSION - none

Patrick Halfhill made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Susan McAuliffe seconded the motion, motion passed, 6 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 6 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Patrick Halfhill, Don Ledford, Susan McAuliffe, Reggie St. John, Zac Wilkins
Nays – 0

The January 22, 2019 Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting was adjourned at 1847 hours.