

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MAY 24, 2022

**THIS IS A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON
JUNE 28, 2022**

The Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting held May 24, 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 eight board members present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: President - Jake Simmons; Vice President - Patrick Halfhill; Treasurer - Zac Wilkins; Scott Buckman; Christy Marker; Susan McAuliffe; Reggie St. John; Kyle Uptegrove

Jessica Meyer arrived at 6:06

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON: Mark Spohn

STAFF PRESENT: Nate Williams – Director; Chad Clevenger – Parks and Open Space Manager; Janet Morehead – Administrative Assistant

Susan McAuliffe made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Christy Marker seconded the motion, motion passed, 8 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 8 – Scott Buckman, Patrick Halfhill, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

VISITOR: Sharon Powell, Mayor

Sharon Powell extended her thanks and appreciation for Susan McAuliffe and Christy Marker for serving on the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board.

Jake Simmons extended his thanks and appreciation as well.

Jessica Meyer arrived at 6:06.

Reggie St. John made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2022 Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting as presented. Scott Buckman seconded the motion, motion passed, 9 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 9 – Scott Buckman, Patrick Halfhill, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

Discussion was held on the May 2022 FY 21/22 Financial Report.

Nate Williams received Financial Reports from City Hall. Financial Reports received were: Year by Year Comparison - Revenue and Expenses; Balance Sheets - 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022; and General Ledger Activities Listing. Nate included his Working Budget through May 17, 2022.

The Financial Reports from City Hall were discussed. Susan McAuliffe made the motion to accept the Financial Reports received from the Finance Department and Nate's Working Budget through May 17, 2022. Zac Wilkins seconded the motion, motion passed, 9 – 0. A roll call vote was taken: Ayes – 9 – Scott Buckman, Patrick Halfhill, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

STAFF REPORTS

The Staff Reports were discussed.

Nate Williams reported that the Rock Island Trail will not be coming through Excelsior Springs. It passed in the House but did not pass in the Senate.

The Excelsior Springs City Council approved the ESPR's Maintenance Facility.

Rainbow Splash Park passed inspection. Due to the cool and rainy weather, there will be a delayed opening from Monday, May 23 to possibly this Thursday or Friday, May 26, or 27.

Summer programs are being scheduled - Tennis Camps in June and July; Sports Performance, etc.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Revenue Committee met with Vonda Floyd, City Finance Director and Molly McGovern, City Manager to discuss the Financial Reports packet that was supplied to the Parks and Recreation Board. Discussion was held on the information included, new reports versus old reports, what information the Board and Nate would like to see, etc.

Zac Wikins said that these reports could be modified to reflect what Parks and Recreation needed in the financial reports.

Sharon Powell suggested inviting Vonda Floyd, Finance Director, to an ES Parks and Recreation Board meeting to review the Financial Reports and how to read/interpret the reports.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Nate Williams presented Susan McAuliffe and Christy Marker framed certificates thanking them for their dedication and service while serving on the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board.

Nate Williams reviewed the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Department's 2021 Annual Report. The Annual Report is a summary of the highlights for the year for the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Department. He will be presenting it to the Excelsior Springs City Council at their first meeting in June.

Reggie St. John made the motion to approve the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Department's 2021 Annual Report. Susan McAuliffe seconded the motion, motion passed, 9 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 9 – Scott Buckman, Patrick Halfhill, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Kyle Uptegrove, Zac Wilkins
Nays – 0

The First United Methodist Church land lease was discussed. This is the land directly north of the Rainbow Splash Park. Nate Williams will continue with the lease for another year.

Nate Williams included a "Favorites Survey" for the Board. It is a way for him to get to know the Board and a kick start to Parks and Rec month in July.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July is Parks and Rec Month! Theme will be "Super Summer". Jeff Barge is working on logos for the shirts. Corey Greim and Kyria Hood are working on activities for Parks and Rec Month including movie nights, passports, activities, etc.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Youth Fishing Day is June 11, 2022 at Powell Lake in Century Park from 8:30 am until 11 am. This is a free event for youth 15 and under.

Dredging Powell Lake should start at the end of July.

Zac Wilkins asked what the minimum number of acres would be necessary to build a soccer/baseball facility? Fifty to eighty acres would be good. Twenty acres would be small.

Parking lots, retention ponds, restroom facilities, concession stand areas, and warm up areas take up quite a bit of land.

Reggie St. John said that it was a pleasure to serve on the Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board with Susan McAuliffe and Christy Marker.

Susan McAuliffe made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Christy Marker seconded the motion.

Jake Simmons adjourned the meeting.

The May 24, 2022 Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

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6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL 6:04 8 6:06 9

H SCOTT BUCKMAN

H PATRICK HALFHILL

H CHRISTY MARKER

Yes SUSAN McAULIFFE

 JESSICA MEYER 6:06 ARRIVED

H JAKE SIMMONS

Yo REGGIE ST. JOHN

H KYLE UPTEGROVE

H ZAC WILKINS

H MARK SPOHN, CITY COUNCIL LIAISON

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ROLL CALL VOTE

	FINANCIAL REPORT	/	/	/
SCOTT BUCKMAN	Y	_____	_____	_____
PATRICK HALFHILL	Y	_____	_____	_____
CHRISTY MARKER	Y	_____	_____	_____
SUSAN McAULIFFE	Y	_____	_____	_____
JESSICA MEYER	Y	_____	_____	_____
JAKE SIMMONS	Y	_____	_____	_____
REGGIE ST. JOHN	Aye	_____	_____	_____
KYLE UPTEGROVE	Y	_____	_____	_____
ZAC WILKINS	Y	_____	_____	_____