

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

May 14, 2014

5:30 PM

Windsor Park

AGENDA

Public Participation

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes from April 9, 2014

Reports

1. Public Works Report
2. Recreation Report
3. Chairperson's Report

New Business

Old Business

Other

1. Annual Park Tour

Windsor Park

Weltner Park

Taliaferro Park

Harmon Park Tennis Courts

Information Items

- Next Meeting—August 13, 2014 @ 7:00 PM at City Hall

Adjournment

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

April 9, 2014

City Hall

Park and Recreation Committee met at 7:00 PM. In attendance: Laura Wassmer, Chair, Diane Pallanich, Kevin Letourneau, Eric Blevins, Lauren Wolf, Peggy Couch, Diane Mares. Staff: Danielle Dulin, Keith Bredehoeft. Guests: Jen Denslow, Mayor Ron Shaffer

Ms. Wassmer called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

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1. Minutes from March 12, 2014

Mr. Letourneau moved and Ms. Mares seconded to approve the minutes with the amendment of correcting the next meeting date to April 9, 2014. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports

1. Public Works Report

Mr. Bredehoeft indicated that there had been some issues with vandalism in the portable toilets in Porter Park, and measures were being taken to discourage the behavior. The pool in Taliferro Park is being removed, and Windsor Park play equipment and rubber mats are being repaired. Mr. Bredehoeft stated that the security lighting at Bennet Park had been fixed in cooperation with KCPL, but in regards to undergrounding the electricity in McCrum, the City will be responsible for the entire cost. Mr. Bredehoeft explained that staff had met with the schools that use the tennis courts at Harmon Park, and it has been decided that it is best to only interrupt one season; therefore, the rehabilitation of the tennis courts will happen in late summer through fall of 2014.

2. Recreation Report

Ms. Dulin indicated that Rob Cole would be returning to Prairie Village after a brief hiatus as the head swim coach, and that swim team registration opened and pool memberships went on sale as of April 1.

3. Chairperson's Report

Ms. Wassmer reported that she had just walked the proposed disc golf course layout, and it was coming together very nicely. Ms. Wassmer announced that Eric Blevins was resigning from the Parks and Recreation Board as he was moving out of the City, and now there are vacancies in Wards 4,5, & 6 as well as the student representative positions on the Committee.

New Business

Old Business

1. Discussion of recreation scholarship eligibility

Ms. Dulin briefly summarized that discussion from the previous meeting regarding recreation scholarship eligibility and provided the Committee with the dollar amounts raised for recreation scholarships each year by the Municipal Foundation and explained the current application and award process. The Committee discussed the household income requirements and the dollar amount of scholarships that were being rewarded versus the dollar amount being raised. Ms. Dulin explained

that the Municipal Foundation is committed to supporting recreation scholarships, and if for some reason more scholarships were awarded than money for scholarships was raised, the Municipal Foundation would be able to cover the difference. The Committee decided to increase the household income eligibility from to 150% of the federal poverty level for a 100% scholarship, and 185% of the federal poverty level for a 50% scholarship. For the 2015 recreation season, the Committee would like to see an application deadline. At that time, if money was still available after the 50% and 100% scholarships had been awarded, 25% scholarships could be awarded to individuals that were between the 185 and 200% federal poverty level.

Information Items

- Next Meeting—Park Tour, May 14, 2014 @ 5:30 PM at Windsor Park

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.