

PARKS AND LEISURE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
APRIL 7, 2010
7PM
ARNOLD RECREATION CENTER

Roll Call: Moss, Waldrop, Kroupa, Plunk, Lindsley, Boone and Summers (Wegge arrived at 8pm)

Approval of previous meeting minutes: Motion by Plunk, seconded by Kroupa. Unanimous

Business from the floor: none

Guests: Sue Kroupa and Gary Luebbers

Pomme Creek (Bob Furkin):

- 1) Upcoming Events scheduled for Pomme Creek this year: Many tournaments and leagues have started. The annual city tournament will be held on June 12th and the entry forms are available. Women's night league begins April 12th.
- 2) Update on railroad bridge: should be completed by the middle of May
- 3) Miscellaneous: more modern and up to date resale items are being ordered and should arrive by the end of April.
- 4) Course is taking the heat well and the Zoysia has already come in and the Bermuda is well on its way.

Ferd B Lang Park: Discussion was held concerning the temporary addition of 2 sand volleyball courts for leagues and tournaments and adding a second paw park. Rotary Club has approached about assisting in funding this project. ALL agreed to proceed with these additions. Landscaping would be done around the old comfort station along with adding a new roof as it leaks during heavy rains. Staff salvaged fencing from the demolition of the old pool and thus the cost to implement the courts and the paw park is approximately \$8,000 that can be taken from the current budget. If the Rotary Club assists, the cost to the current parks budget would be \$4,000. Moss made the motion to move forward and Kroupa seconded. Unanimous consent.

Pool/ Garden Study: April 18th is the deadline and many surveys have been returned to city hall and staff is imputing those along with citizens completing the form on line! A report from Larkin is due in early May with the survey results.

Brochure information/discussion of upcoming events: Board members spoke highly of the latest brochure that was mailed to all residents and all non-resident recreation center members. New programs have been added especially with pre school athletics being so successful!

Report on cleanup day: Less than 10 volunteers reported to Pomme Creek and Strawberry Creek for cleanup day. All of the Parks and Golf staff attended and tasks were completed such as: repairs trails, mulching, stump grinding, etc...

Personnel changes: Recreation Manager Chrissy Summers is expecting a child and in her absence: Beck Moss will supervise day camp, Molly Curcuru will be handling the finances and Jamie Lindsley (part time Facility Aid) will be handling the staff and operations. Moss and Kroupa were successful in their election results and will no longer be serving as board members.

MMA event in the park: Boone reported a group of promoters had contacted her and the Tourism Commission concerning closing the City Park for a weekend to conduct a matches. The board is NOT in favor of such events being held in the parks due to it being a for profit group and MMA being a combination of boxing, martial arts...in cages. It would be against an existing ordinance. Unanimous NOT to allow such events in any parks because of presenting the wrong image and being for profit.

Noah's Wish will be using the recreation center the first weekend of May for training. This is a not for profit group who trains individuals, for major disasters, how to rescue, save and take care of animals. They are a wonderful group and they are coming from Alabama and will train persons from many different states.

Councilman Lindsley announced he would no longer be the council liaison to the board. He also was very disappointed the TRIVIA night had been cancelled. Moss explained only 6 tables had prepaid for the event and no others had been reserved. Discussion continued...He also hopes that in the future a floating gazebo will be placed in the lake at the city park to provide another amenity to the park.

Next meeting: TBA after new members are selected to replace Moss and Kroupa

Motion to adjourn: Moss and Pluck seconded