## **MINUTES**

On April 10, 2018, the Parks and Recreation Board met at 1:30 p.m. in City Hall at 509 SE. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Room 306 for a Regular Meeting.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Mr. Rob Chafin	Yes	43	35
Mr. Terry Easterling	Yes	37	31
Mr. George DeCoux	Yes	27	23
Mr. John Ingerson	No	11	8
Ms. Terry Price	Yes	11	8
Mr. Brian Jennings	No	3	2
Mr. Matt Sanders	Yes	3	3
Mr. Gerald Malkuch	Yes	3	3
Mr. George Veloz II	No	3	2
Mr. Mubashir Subhani	No	3	2
Mr. Luke Austin	Yes	3	2

## Also in attendance were:

KEVIN STARBUCK ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

PAT WESTBROOK ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION

KEVIN WILDE ASSISTANT PARK SUPERINTENDENT LINDA PITNER SENIOR SERVICES COORDINATOR

CHARLES HUDSON ATHLETIC SUPERVISOR
SHELLEY GALLAGHER RECREATION SUPERVISOR
GEORGE PRIOLO GM OF GOLF OPERATIONS
JOIE TAYLOR ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIAN
SHERYLENE MORRIS RECORDING SECRETARY

ITEM 1: Call to Order and Approval of Minutes from Meeting held March 13, 2018. Chairman, Mr. George DeCoux, established a quorum and called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board to order at 1:30 p.m. Motion was made by Mr. Terry Easterling, seconded by Mr. Gerald Malkuch and unanimously carried to approve such minutes as written.

ITEM 2: Presentation and Discussion of the Monthly Reports for the Parks and Recreation Department. Kevin Starbuck, Assistant City Manager, stated that Michael Kashuba, currently the City of Addison's Director of Parks and Recreation, has accepted the position of Director of Parks and Recreation here in Amarillo to replace Rod Tweet. He holds a Masters of Landscape Architecture from the University of Texas at Arlington and is a registered Landscape Architect for the State of Texas. He is looking to start this position around the first of June. Revenue budgets are completed and staffs are in the process of working on the expense budgets. The United Way Day of Caring will be held April 20<sup>th</sup> and will take place at the Guyon Saunders Resource Center which involves a large painting project to improve the building. A second project, headed up by the Police Department, is playground improvements and clean up at Bones Hooks, Hines and Hilltop Parks will be held the same day. Copy of this report is on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

Kevin Wilde, Assistant Park Superintendent, reported on Park Maintenance tree planting, pruning and tree removal throughout the parks, flower bed planting, litter removal, electrical repairs, playground repairs, and irrigation repairs as well as zoo activities and revenues for the month of March. Copy of this report is on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

Shelley Gallagher, Recreation Supervisor, reported that various swimming activities and classes are scheduled at the Warford and Southeast Pool. Recreation continues to hire seasonal help for the 2018 summer programs in the parks. The Tennis Center will host a district tournament on April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Special Events this month include a health and resource fair, spring break camp and an Easter Egg Dive at Warford. The Park Guide should go to print no later than April 13<sup>th</sup>. Copy of this report is on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

Charles Hudson, Athletic Supervisor, stated that the adult Spring Volleyball League deadline is April 12<sup>th</sup>. Adult Basketball will finish at the end of April. Adult Spring Softball started March 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Sports Associations leagues have started their leagues for the 2018 season. Copy of this report is on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

Linda Pitner, Senior Services Coordinator, stated that the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Senior Services Development Advisory Board met on March 22<sup>nd</sup> to review project background, history and the recent programming needs assessment and facility feasibility study in order to discuss and consider recommendations for inclusion in a final report. The board will meet again on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Copy of this report is on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

George Priolo, GM of Golf Operations, reported on the golf operations and maintenance concerning both Ross Rogers and Comanche Trail Golf Complexes. Several successful golf tournaments have taken place during the month of March. Despite the dry weather, the golf course grounds have been able to stay playable. Copy of this report is on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

ITEM 3: Presentation and Discussion on Zoo Education/Special Events. Mike Boley, Zoo Visitors Service Coordinator, reported on various special events, activities and educational programs held each year at the Amarillo Zoo. Jessie Story, Zoo Educator, displayed and passed around a Madagascar Hissing Cockroach. Those who handed the insect received an "I Touched a Cockroach Today" certificate. Copy of this report is on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

ITEM 4: Update on the Gene Howe Park Area Improvement Project. Pat Westbrook, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, presented an update on the status of the Gene Howe Park Improvement Project with a PowerPoint presentation of photos illustrating the progress to date of the project. Copy of this report is on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

<u>ITEM 5:</u> <u>Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman.</u> Currently, George DeCoux serves as the Park Board Chairman and Terry Easterling as the Vice Chairman. Motion was made by Rob Chafin to keep George DeCoux and Terry Easterling on as Chairman and Vice-Chairman, seconded by Ms. Terry Price and unanimously carried to approve said motion.

ITEM 6: Public Comments. No public comments.

ITEM 7: Next Meeting Date. May 8, 2018

<u>ITEM 8:</u> <u>Adjournment</u>. There, being no further business, Motion was made by Mr. Terry Easterling and seconded by Mr. Gerald Malkuch to adjourn the meeting at 2:24 p.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.

Shervlene Morris, Board Secretary

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