

APPROVED
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes
December 1, 2009

Vice Chair McCormick called the meeting to order at 5:20 pm in the Parks and Recreation Community Room in Mayors' Riverfront Park.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Gary Wager, Garrylee McCormick, Shawn Brier, and Larry Ross. Natalie Patchell arrived at 5:22 pm and Michael Dombos arrived at 5:26 pm.

Members Absent: None

City Commission Liaison: Barbara Miller, present

Friends of Recreation Liaison: Zadie Jackson, present - Steve Tyler, absent

Staff Present: Frances Jewell and Lisa Brown

Introduction of Guests: Teeoncey Sanders, Youth PRAB applicant (goes by "T")

Changes to the Agenda: Letter of resignation from Gary Wager added as new business.

Special Presentations: None

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the November 4, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Youth Board Member Applications

Teeoncey Sanders is a Senior at Loy Norrix, where she is currently class President and President of the National Honor Society. She is also a member of Jeter's Leaders. The Board unanimously approved recommendation to appoint her to one of the youth positions on the Board.

Knollwood Sanitary Sewer Access Easement

Frances provided the information to the Board as informational. She said the work is being completed by Public Services and they will maintain the access road and the sewer line. Shawn voiced concern with students having access into the park. Frances said there will be a gate to deter unauthorized access.

2009 Annual Report

The Board unanimously approved the annual report.

2010 Proposed Fees and Charges

Frances highlighted the proposed changes to the fees and charges for 2010.

Letter of Resignation

Gary Wager indicated that he would be relocating outside the city limits and per the by-laws, can not continue to be on the board. The Board unanimously approved the letter of resignation.

Event Recommendations for Approval: None

Comments:

Citizens - None

Commission Liaison: Barb advised the board that she will be the Commission liaison for two more years and that Stephanie Moore will become the Friends Commission Liaison. She also, said that the lights at Bronson Park look nice.

Friends of Recreation Liaison: Zadie reminded the Board about the December Holiday gathering for the Friends of Recreation will be Sunday, December 6 @ Mike Schlack's residence.

Parks and Recreation Managing Director – Monthly Report: Frances highlighted budget changes, which included the elimination of the Lead Maintenance Mechanic position. She expressed her thanks for the endowment contributions. The City Commission will hold a budget meeting on December 14 from 4 pm to 10 pm and the public is invited to attend. The Park evaluation is almost complete; the next meeting is December 14. There is a large majority of parks that are not recommended for reserving (mostly neighborhood parks). We will have a report by January, outlining the process. Frances also updated the Board on the Blanche Hull/Milham Park Master Plan project. There were public input meetings held on 11/5 & 11/19. The next step will be meeting with Eric Lyons from OCBA and then drawing up draft plans based on the public input.

Staff: None

Board Members: Natalie mentioned she had a conversation with a resident on Dixie, who spoke of purchasing a piece of property, but it appears the property is not part to Crane Park. Frances thinks this is City streets property.

Michael mentioned that he had spoken to someone that had brought a dog to the market and was told dogs weren't allowed. Frances indicated this was correct and this is a market rule, no dogs allowed, just like no smoking and that there are signs posted at the Market

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Brown, Recording Secretary