

**MINUTES
PARK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 28TH, 2021
5:30 P.M.**

THE PARK BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 12 NORTH ROWE STREET, PRYOR, OKLAHOMA AT THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DATE AND TIME.

BOARD MEMBERS: ** BILL KANNEGIESSER, MELINDA MARKS, PAT RICHARD, CASEY KING, LORI SIEVER, CHRIS GRAVES, KEITH SHELBY.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

Kannegiesser called the Park Board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present: Bill Kannegiesser, Melinda Marks, Pat Richard, Lori Siever, Chris Graves and Keith Shelby. Members absent: Casey King.

Others present: Mayor Larry Lees, Park Superintendent Frank Powell, Golf Superintendent Dennis Bowman, PYBO representatives Chad Wolfe and Zack Gipson, Recreation Center Director Jessica Long and Terry Aylward.

2. PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE.

Recreation Center Director Jessica Long took a moment to report that the Recreation Center has extended its pool hours to assist in accommodating more swimmers, since the outdoor pool is unable to open. Their hours are 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday; and 11:00 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. If they need to do this again next year, as well, they will work out some type of discount program to make entry more affordable.

3. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 24TH, 2021 REGULAR MEETING.

Motion was made by Richard, second by Shelby to approve the minutes of the May 24th, 2021 regular meeting. All voted yes.

Kannegiesser moved to Item 9.

9. GOLF COURSE REPORT – DIRECTOR DENNIS BOWMAN.

Bowman thanked the Board for allowing him to give his report early in the meeting. He stated that the PGA Junior Tournament begins tomorrow, and he has at least two more hours of work to do this evening. He handed out a revenue sheet showing 145 new members through April. They are up to approximately 180-185. They project \$460,000.00 in revenue this year. The Lion's Club Night Tournament is coming soon. He also stated that they will be moving the senior pavilion to make it easier to utilize.

Kannegiesser moved back to Item 5.

5. DISCUSSION REGARDING PRYOR YOUTH BASEBALL – CHAD WOLFE.

Pryor Youth Baseball President, Chad Wolfe, handed out a document to each of the Board members and stated he wants to begin a dialog between them and the Park Board. He talked through the document line-by-line, highlighting items that are needed and estimates of cost. He stated that cost of new lighting for three fields is an item they have not yet estimated.

He stated that their annual operating costs are approximately \$16,000.00, and having a state-of-the-art facility would allow them to bring in a great deal more revenue that would impact the City of Pryor Creek.

Mr. Wolfe stated that he would like to team up with the city to make this successful. They want to fix the disconnect that has taken place between their organization and the city. He stated that if the city can provide them with a budget amount, they can work to get matching funds.

Kannegiesser moved to Item 4 to take no action.

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A 5K FUNDRAISER, “MOVE THE MISSION,” AT WHITAKER PARK ON SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2021, SPONSORED BY THE UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH – NATHAN COLE.

No action.

6. REPORT FROM THE POOL SUBCOMMITTEE.

Siever reported that they are looking at three possible options:

1. Repair the current pool.
2. Build a new pool.
3. Do nothing and tear down the existing pool.

They hope to have a more detailed presentation at the July meeting.

7. PARK REPORT – SUPERINTENDENT FRANK POWELL:

Kannegiesser told Powell that he heard from Robert Taylor regarding the work that was done at the cemetery from last year’s flooding problem. He said Powell did a great job getting the issue resolved.

a. Parks

Powell took a moment to verbally applaud Chad Wolfe for all the work being done with Pryor Youth Baseball. He reported that the toys at Bobby Buck are installed and he greatly appreciates all the work the American Legion did to make it happen. He reported that they will be demonstrating a security camera at the new park bathrooms. The insides of the bathrooms are done with water, electric, etc. They should be completely finished sometime this week.

The new sign for Centennial Park has been approved and ordered. The Splash Pad is in good shape. When asked about lightning protocol at the

Splash Pad, he stated that if there is a lot of lightning in the area, he will go shut it down.

b. Cemetery

Powell reported that they had no complaints during Memorial Day, other than the issues with the road work being done the weekend before. The roads are all finished now and look good.

8. DISCUSSION REGARDING WATERFOWL ISSUE AT WHITAKER PARK.

No action. Powell and Mayor reported that the U.S. Department of Agriculture came in and trapped 71 ducks and geese. This is something that can only be done during molting season.

10. UNFORESEEABLE BUSINESS.

There was no unforeseeable business.

11. ADJOURN.

Motion was made by Shelby, second by Richard to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. All voted yes.