

**MINUTES
PARK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH, 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, Casey King, Lori Siever and Keith Shelby. Members absent: Chris Graves.

Others present: Mayor Larry Lees, Park Superintendent Frank Powell, Golf Superintendent Dennis Bowman, Recreation Center Director Jessica Long and Terry Aylward.

2. PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE.

There were no petitions.

3. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 23RD, 2021, REGULAR MEETING.

Motion was made by Richard, second by Shelby to approve the minutes of the August 23rd, 2021, regular meeting. All voted yes.

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY TO HOLD THEIR FALL FESTIVAL AT WHITAKER PARK ON OCTOBER 8TH, 2021, FROM 4:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.

Motion was made by Richard, second by Siever to approve Jefferson Elementary to hold their Fall Festival at Whitaker Park on October 8th, 2021, from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. All voted yes.

Graves arrived at 5:32 p.m.

5. REPORT FROM THE POOL SUBCOMMITTEE.

No action. Lori Siever spoke regarding the plans for the outdoor pool and referred to the documents in the packet. She stated that their recommendation is in the next agenda item. The subcommittee agrees that the majority of citizens want to continue to have an outdoor pool.

Powell spoke regarding repairs, location of new pool as recommended by the Health Department inspector, and timelines. He made it clear that whatever work is approved, he wants it to be a turn-key project, and not leave anything for the Parks

employees to finish. He suggested that if people are seriously interested in a new pool, work on getting donations and grants for a couple of years to assist in the cost.

6. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY RECOMMEND COUNCIL ACTION REGARDING MAINTAINING THE CULTURE OF AN OUTDOOR PUBLIC POOL IN PRYOR CREEK, OKLAHOMA, WHETHER IT BE RENOVATION OF THE PRESENT PARK POOL, DEMOLITION OF THE PRESENT PARK POOL AND BUILDING A NEW PARK POOL AT WHITAKER PARK OR INVITE THE RECREATION CENTER BOARD TO CONSIDER CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC POOL ON THE RECREATION CENTER PROPERTY.

Motion was made by King, second by Siever to recommend Council action regarding maintaining the culture of an outdoor public pool in Pryor Creek, Oklahoma, whether it be renovation of the present park pool, demolition of the present park pool and building a new park pool at Whitaker Park or invite the Recreation Center Board to consider construction of a public pool on the Recreation Center property. Voting yes: Kannegiesser, Marks, Richard, King, Siever, Graves, Shelby. Voting no: none.

7. PARK REPORT – SUPERINTENDENT FRANK POWELL:

a. PARKS

Powell reported that they are getting caught up on small jobs. He reported that only four of the tennis courts will be redone this year, due to cost. Henzel, who has done the work for several years, chose not to bid this year. He is having issues having enough help and getting materials.

The engineer is working on the parking portion of the tennis court area. Powell will close the Splash Pad at end of business on September 30th, 2021. The new restrooms are working well.

b. CEMETERY

Powell reported that the issue he mentioned last month regarding a possible busted water line turned out to be a non-issue. There had been a leak elsewhere within the city and MUB had to turn off the water. The sounds that were being heard were caused by air in the lines while the water was off.

8. GOLF COURSE REPORT – DIRECTOR DENNIS BOWMAN.

Bowman handed out several papers to the Board. He stated that the first sheet shows the numbers for the last three years. The course is staying very busy and doing very well financially.

Bowman also handed out a tee sheet from the US Kids Tournament to show how far some of the participants traveled. He reported that it went great, as well as the United Way Tournament and the Rae Tournament.

He handed out some information regarding upcoming events, such as the Danny Henson Memorial Golf Tournament on October 23rd, the Reincarnation Cottages inaugural tournament on November 13th, and the Halloween event, Boohaha, from October 29th – 31st.

He stated that he is staying tremendously busy while working on fall projects and regular play. He reported that the pump station is still working, so they will not shut it down for repairs until they have no other option.

9. UNFORESEEABLE BUSINESS.

There was no unforeseeable business.

11. ADJOURN.

Motion was made by Shelby, second by Siever to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. All voted yes.