

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting- 20 August 2019

Members Present:

- Greg Cochran
- Wayne Rundell – Vice-Chair
- Bob Hurring
- Jared Mull- Parks and Recreation Director
- Cody Owen
- Mandi Bentley
- Danny Hein- Chair

Call to Order: Board Chair called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.

Approval of Minutes: The commission reviewed the minutes from the June 2019 meeting and approved them unanimously.

Public Comment

- There were no public comments at this time.

Old Business

Jameson's Joy

- Jared was not able to present to County Commissioners at the July 8th Commissioner's Meeting. Jared will work to have the proposal added to the agenda for the October Meeting. All members of the P&R Commission are still in agreement that this is a project that should be pursued.

Project Updates:

- Recreation Department bathroom: Walls have been knocked out and are currently blocked with plywood. The plumbing for the new showers has been completed and the brick laying is complete. The entire project should be complete by mid-end September.
- Pickleball Courts: The construction for the Pickleball courts is at a standstill until the completion of the bathrooms. The Parks and Rec department will host a grand opening once this project is complete. This project is expected to be completed by November.
- Silvermont: Friends of Silvermont will be purchasing a new sign for Silvermont. This project will be completed as soon as Wayne is ready to complete this project. Storm water improvement plans are being discussed for Silvermont before they start to pave the existing walking trails. Quotes have already been acquired for this project, but will not begin until the spring.

New Business

Master Plan Discussion:

- Jared encouraged everyone to look back over the master plan synopsis. The main focuses moving forward will be improving existing parks and facilities. Jared wants to ensure that it will not be all planning and that progress will be made on existing projects. Summer will be hosting a waterworks day for older youth. There is still room for improvement with Environmental Education programs.

Summer Camp Report:

- Mandi reported that the recreation department offered 10 camps this summer. They had the best summer attendance to date with 296 kids registered. The kids registered ranged from ages 3 to 12.
- Danny suggested sending summer camp synopsis to paper to show the importance that the recreation department serves in our community. Cody seconded and added that maybe next year someone from the paper could be invited to one of the camps to run a story.

Director Update:

- Jared will not be going to Raleigh, but will be driving to Orlando to participate in the Florida recreation conference.
- Commissioners have a candidate for the open position on the Parks and Recreation Commission board.
- All-Star night was a great success. Professional dunkers were brought in and they put on a great show. A marketing video was created from this event and Jared will preview it in front of the Board as soon as he gets it.

Recreation Update:

- Mandi reported on the upcoming fall programs. Flag Football will be starting September 7th. There are 3 teams for the 1-3 grade groups and 4 teams for the 4-6 grade age group. Programs returning this fall will include future football stars, indoor fun play, fall volleyball, play the day away, and dodgeball. Silvermont will be adding a program called The Reading Connection beginning September 12th.

Member Comments:

- There were no member comments at this time.

Adjournment: The motion was made to adjourn, seconded, and approved unanimously at 7:08 pm.