

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~Minutes~

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Thursday
January 25, 2024

5:15 PM

Hamilton Indoor Rec Center
1724 E F Street

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm

PRESENT: Cat Harner, Chair; Gretchen Hayes Vice Chair; Mark Heinlein; Jeff Pilcher; Robert Sproull; Ted Kisha; Sally Greene; Richard Gayler; Susan Steele.

STAFF: Kristie Ingham; David Schott;

1. Welcome Sally Greene to the Parks and Recreation Commission

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Parks and Recreation Commission December 14, 2023 Minutes (ACTION ITEM) – Cat Harner

Presentation of minutes for approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or provide staff further direction.

Pilcher moved to approve the minutes as presented. Hayes seconded. Roll Call vote: Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None. Motion carried

2. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 15 minutes)

Amy Kingston (Moscow)- looked up jobs on the City of Moscow website and was shocked to see how low Eggan staff is paid compared to HIRC staff. She would like to encourage the City to look into staff pay. As a single mom her children go to Eggan after school and the staff deal with a lot of children daily. Parents trust them with their children after school so that they don't have to put their children in daycare.

Kingston also has concerns about Harvest Park as it is an edible park but a car wash was put in directly next to it this past year. She would like to know if ground studies were done at any time because the run off is concerning to her. Kingston is also worried about any run off contaminating the ground water and going into the food sources planted in Harvest Park. Kingston wanted to also note that the HIRC is awesome, but the City is in need of another gym as there is such a high demand for people who want to use it.

3. Consideration of the 2024 Pesticide Free Park (ACTION ITEM) – David Schott

On January 26, 2023, the Parks and Recreation Commission approved Kiwanis Park as the pesticide free park for 2023. Prior to this, Anderson Frontier Park was the 2022 pesticide free park. Staff is recommending Triangle Park as the 2024 pesticide free park.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve Triangle Park as the 2024 pesticide free park; or take other action as deemed appropriate.

Schott referred to the Consideration of the 2024 Pesticide Free Park in the packet.

Kisha moved to approve Triangle Park as the 2024 pesticide free park. Gayler seconded. Roll Call vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion carried

4. Consideration of the FY2025 Parks and Recreation Commission Budget (ACTION ITEM) – David Schott

The Parks and Recreation Commission will review the FY2024 budget and discuss the FY2025 upcoming budget request. FY2025 will begin on October 1, 2024 and end on September 30, 2025.

ACTION: Approve the 2025 budget request; or take other action as deemed appropriate.

Schott referred to the PRC FY2025 Requested Budget Memo in the packet. Kisha would like to have t-shirts for Farmers Market made for PRC so that they stand out when at the Farmers Market. Heinlein agreed to a discussion of something this year besides just paper on a table for the Farmers Market. Schott suggested to PRC if they would like more money for outreach events or items such as stickers commission should discuss it at a later meeting for the FY2025 budget and he would put it on the agenda.

Gayler moved to approve the 2025 budget request. Heinlein seconded. Roll Call vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion carried

STAFF REPORTS

1. Recreation and Pool Update – Greg Morrison

Ingham presented on behalf of Morrison who was out today. K-3rd grade basketball games start next week, adult basketball is going, and Ochoa and his wife had their baby last Friday. Sproull is wondering about use of the HIRC and doing a utilization graph to find out when the busy times are, because the facility use is at such a demand. Gayler would like to know the long-term plan about the expansion on the building as well. Cat suggested reaching out to City Council and bring it to their attention. Schott let PRC know he will be in touch with Morrison about their questions and follow up at a later date.

2. Parks, Facilities and Community Forestry Update – David Schott

Schott stated that the first big snow of the year went well along with big freeze for the Parks Department. Only the Magyar building had a frozen pipe. The Indian Hills restroom CXT has been waiting at the shop to be installed for a few years. The City is looking to have staff do the install in house now as the bids were high. Mountain View Park restrooms were remodeled recently which only one is heated. Unfortunately, the brand-new pumps went out, so at this time the restrooms will remain closed all winter long. There is a port a potty set up out there now. Milton Arthur Park playground install is on track to be installed this March. Harvest Park phase one is now complete. Carol Brink pathways repairs are in place to be done this Spring. The Parks and Facilities departments are now both fully staffed.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS:

1. Next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting: February 22, 2024

ADJOURN 5:45pm

Minutes Approved On

FEB 22 2024
Kristin Ingham
Clerk/Deputy Signature