



# CITY OF LAWRENCE **PARKS AND RECREATION**

City of Lawrence Board of Parks and Recreation – Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, March 8, 2023 – 5:30 pm  
Lawrence Government Center  
Public Assembly Room

**Members present:** Jeff Vest, Tom Burns, Helen Taylor, Karen Taylor and Crystal Puckett

**Staff:** Eric Martin, Cori Korn and Dina Gee

**Guest:** Liz Masur, Rick Wells, Victoria Bonilla, Art Duzinski, Cooper Buimont and Brian Haefliger

Meeting was called to order by Jeff Vest at 5:30 pm.

**Minutes:**

Minutes of the February 8, 2023 meeting were distributed for review and clarification. Jeff Vest entertained a motion to accept the minutes with changes made from Belzer to Harrison Hill. Motion was made by Tom Burns to accept the minutes, seconded by Helen Taylor. Motion carried 5-0.

**Board Comments:** Jeff inquired when the curbs for Alexander Park were going to be done and when the installation of Community Park playground would be. Eric informed them that when the weather breaks, they would start installation on the curbs. The department is planning on starting the installation of the Community Park playground next week, weather permitting.

**Directors Report:** Eric and Cori informed the Board that March 20<sup>th</sup> the nets will go up for the Pickleball courts. Clean up day is April 6<sup>th</sup>. Spring Fling is April 8<sup>th</sup>. April 15<sup>th</sup> is OYO's opening day. April 29<sup>th</sup> is opening day for Fall Creek Baseball and Softball.

**Old Business: - None**

**New Business: -**

a. **Eagle Scout – Cooper Guimont:**

Cooper's Eagle Scout project will consist of a bench and picnic table being installed at the Waggin Tails Bark Park. He will also be trimming the pine trees. He is planning on doing the project next Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>.

b. **United Consulting:**

Brian Haefliger approached the Board to inform them that they are ready to start the next level of the right away process of the Trail project. Jeff entertained a motion to accept the supplemental agreement for the start of the right away process. A motion was made by Helen Taylor to accept the agreement, seconded by Tom Burns. Motion carried 5-0.

c. **Fall Creek Baseball and Softball:** Jeff entertained a motion to enter into a usage agreement with Fall Creek Softball and Baseball for the use of Community Park baseball fields for 2023. A motion was made by Tom Burns to accept the usage agreement, seconded by Helen Taylor.

Motion carried 5-0. Jeff entertained a motion to enter into an agreement with Fall Creek Baseball and Softball for the use of the batting cage at Lee Road Park. Motion was made by Karen Taylor to accept the agreement, seconded by Helen Taylor. Motion carried 5-0.

d. **JB Soccer:**

Jeff entertained a motion to enter into an agreement with JB Soccer for the use of the soccer fields 8-11, from April til October 2023. A motion was made by Helen Taylor to accept the agreement, seconded by Tom Burns. Motion carried 5-0.

e. **AFL MOU:**

Jeff entertained a motion to renew AFL's MOU with the rewording of the usage of the Sterrett Center and to extend the MOU from 12 months to 5 years. Motion was made by Tom Burns to accept the agreement, seconded by Helen Taylor. Motion carried 5-0.

f. **Farrar Electric – Acceptance of Quote for Community Park Baseball Field Lights:**

Eric received 3 quotes for the field lighting for Diamond #1 at Community Park. The quotes ranged from \$74,283 to \$138,620. Eric recommended the Board to accept the \$74,283 quote and award it to Farrar Electric. Jeff entertained a motion to accept Farrar Electric to install the field lighting at Community Park's diamond 1. A motion was made by Helen Taylor to accept the quote, seconded by Karen Taylor. Motion carried 5-0.

**Public Comments:** None

**Adjournment:** Jeff Vest adjourned the meeting at 6:13pm.

Secretary Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_