



City of Lawrence Board of Parks and Recreation - Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 10, 2016 - 6:00 pm
Lawrence Government Center
Public Assembly Room

Members present: Jeff Vest, Tom Burns, Judy Logsdon and Carol Helmus

Staff: Maura Hoff, Eric Martin and Dina Gee

Other: None

Guest: Jessica Towers, Darrin Slack, Heath Luther and Courtney Perez

Meeting was called to order by Jeff Vest at 6:02 pm.

Minutes:

Minutes of the July 13, 2016 meetings were distributed for review and clarification. Jeff entertained a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. Motion was made by Tom Burns to accept the minutes, seconded by Judy Logsdon. Motion carried 4-0.

Reports from Parks Director:

Park's revenue collections are at 80%.

Eric had a meeting with the Controller this week to discuss the budget for 2017. He did put in paving at the parks and some capital improvements. The major one would be the Community Park and the estimate for that was around \$400,000.

Board Comment:

The parks are in dire need of some timber work. Eric stated that we had a professional come in and take down a couple trees at the Community Park due to they were a safety hazard.

The ditch on the north side of the Community Park is being handled by Corporate Counsel and the Utility Department.

There is a concern that Lee Road Park is being left unlocked all night.

Committee Meeting:

Nothing new to report.

Old Business:

- a. Facility Usage Agreement for FC Pride Soccer Club – Tabled
- b. Facility Usage Agreement for Lawrence Soccer Club - Tabled
- c. Facility Usage agreement for Fall Creek Little League –
Jeff Vest entertained a motion to amend the agreement to \$0.00 cash and \$10,000 in kind. Motion was made by Carol Helmus to accept the amendment and seconded by Tom Burns. Motion carried 4-0.
Jeff Vest entertained a motion to amend the agreement by changing the date of term to April 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016. Motion was made by Carol Helmus to accept the amendment, seconded by Tom Burns. Motion carried 4-0.
Jeff Vest entertained a motion to amend the agreement by allowing Fall Creek Little League to utilize the fields after dark. Motion was made by Carol Helmus to accept the amendment, seconded by Tom Burns. Motion carried 4-0.

New Business:

Darrin Slack with Pro Act and Jessica Towers with the Chamber of Commerce informed the Board that they would like to beautify Community Park by adding a peace park within the park. Darrin stated that it would be 45' in diameter and that school kids would be helping with the project. The projected date to install it would be October 21, 2016. Board would like to see them incorporate the flag pole area in the peace park. Jeff entertained a motion for the Chamber of Commerce and Pro Act to work with the Park's department on the Peace Park. Motion made by Tom Burns to accept the project, seconded by Judy Logsdon. Motion carried 4-0.

Upcoming Calendar of Events:

Public Comments:

Adjournment:

Jeff adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Secretary Signature: _____ Date: _____