

Centralia Park Board Meeting Minutes (unapproved)

Tuesday, July 21, 2015

Centralia Recreation Center –12:00 PM

Park Board Members Present: Mike Kinkead, Marilyn Dick, Richard Dickerson, Bev Reynolds, Dale Davidson, and Harold Beasley.

Also Present: Erle Bennett- Park Director, Andrea Owens- Park Department Secretary, Matt Harline-City Administrator, Brandon Kinkead- Swim Team Coach, and Andrew Rish- Troop 90 Boy Scouts

Meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m. by Park Board President, Mike Kinkead.

Minutes from the April 21 and June 16, 2015 meetings were approved by consent.

Treasurer's Report was approved by consent.

Andrew Rish explained he was working toward a badge and was present at meeting only to take notes.

Recreation Center

It was reported that the Recreation Center currently has 2,745 members. Last month the membership total was 2,755 and last year the membership total was 2,466.

There are three classes being offered currently for a five week session:

- ❖ Morning Yoga held MWF from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. taught by Christyne Robertson-6 participants
- ❖ Low Impact Aerobics held MTWTH from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. taught by Christyne Robertson-7 participants
- ❖ Seniors in Shape held MWF from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. taught by Christyne Robertson-11 participants

A new session of classes will be starting Monday, August 24, 2015. Details of classes will be discussed at next meeting.

Harold Beasley moved with a second from Bev Reynolds to declare the punching bag and the air hockey table surplus property. The Parks and Recreation Department will accept sealed bids until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 28, 2015.

Park Report

Discussion was held about possible locations to add a dog park to the City of Centralia. Decision will be made at a later date.

The Park Director gave a recap of the recent projects that will be done at the Parks:

- ADA Sidewalk at Bicentennial Park
- Fencing at backstop on East field
- Placing a mat behind home plate on North and West fields
- New scoreboard to be put up on West field, refurbished scoreboard on South field
- Painting shelters, concession stands, and bathrooms in Parks
- Exhaust fans and possibly hand dryers to be put in Park bathrooms
- ADA designated parking at South field, South shelter, East field, and North shelter
- Left Field Club at West and North field with grills, picnic tables, and benches
- 3 trees to be removed at City Square
- Limb and stump removal throughout all Parks
- New trees to be planted throughout the Parks

- 2 trees to be removed at JayCee Park/addition of Kiddie Cushion and sandbox
- New sidewalks on Howard Burton
- Renovation of dug outs at North Field for handicap accessibility
- New flagpole to be placed at Middle Shelter
- Tree trimming and branch removal throughout all Parks

The Park Director reported that the Hubbell Grant was approved and monies will be used for concrete at Bicentennial Park for handicap access sidewalk and kiddie cushion at the playground.

Pool Report

The pool attendance to date is 7,747---last year's attendance was 6,859.

Matt Harline reported that the RFQ's were approved at City Council meeting for the Park Department to mail to various companies for the bidding of the Pool project. Todd Gauffy has been hired as the financial consultant for the project.

The Park Director reported that the pool goals for next year are: New vacuum, new sound system, security system with camera at front entrance and parking lot, and a Spray ground.

The Park Director reported that a water basketball goal has been placed in the pool where the small slides used to be.

Items Which May Arise:

Brandon Kinhead gave a presentation of the new starter system and gave a recap of the Centralia Swim Team season----100 kids signed up for Swim Team, and 80 of those participated in Meets. During Conference, 11 participants won medals, 2 won gold medals, and 3 relay teams placed second.

Matt Harline reported on legal issues facing the City.

The Park Director reported that the Fourth of July activities in the Parks went well, with plans underway to have the same type of activities next year. The Swim Team fundraiser of water slide and kayak races raised \$500 to go towards Swim Team needs for next season.

Bev Reynolds moved with a second from Marilyn Dick to trade in the front deck mower for a SKAG mower at a cost of \$3,850.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting scheduled for August 18, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Andrea Owens Parks and Recreation Dept Secretary