

Centralia Park Board Meeting Minutes (unapproved)
Tuesday, August 16, 2016
Centralia Recreation Center –12:00 PM

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

Also Present: Erle Bennett-Park Director, Andrea Owens-Park Department Secretary, Matt Harline- City Administrator, and Brandon Kinkead-Head Swim Team Coach/Pool Manager.

Meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Park Board President, Mike Kinkead.

Minutes from the July 19, 2016 were approved by consent.

The Treasurer's Report was approved by consent.

Recreation Center

It was reported that the Rec Center currently has 2,876 members. Last month the membership was 2,882, and last year the membership was 2,739.

The new Fall class session began this Monday August 15, 2016 and will end September 30, 2016. This session includes the following classes:

- ❖ 5 AM Aerobics held Mondays and Fridays from 5:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. taught by Emily Hedrick. (No Wed class)
- ❖ Ball/Body Bar Yoga held MWF from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. taught by Christyne Robertson.
- ❖ Traditional Yoga held TTH from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. taught by Andrea Owens.
- ❖ Seniors in Shape held MWF from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. taught by Christyne Robertson.
- ❖ Mom's Fit held MWF from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. taught by Samantha Bryson.
- ❖ Evening Aerobics M-TH from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. taught by Christyne Robertson.

The Park Director gave a recap of the upcoming projects at the Rec Center:

- All of the cardio equipment has been inspected and belts/parts will be replaced within next 2-3 weeks.
- The upholstery in Fitness Center will be mended in September.
- Guy Moran is doing volunteer work at the Rec Center as an incentive/reimbursement program through Walmart. He will be painting the Fitness Area in the Fall.
- The trenches at the west part of the Rec Center need to be filled.
- The roof on the Rec Center needs an inspection due to several leaks during heavy rains. Discussion was held about the option of tightening screws and/or the use a coating.

Harold Beasley made a motion with a second from Bev Reynolds for the Park Director to purchase 12 Princeton American Elm trees to be planted in front of the Rec Center facing Lakeview Street at a total cost of \$850.00. Motion passed unanimously.

The after school program at the Rec Center, Kids Club, will begin on Thursday August 18, 2016. Velda McKenzie is the Director, with Lora Buckert as the substitute. The following list are the Kids Club workers for the 2016-2017 school year: Mary Motley, Gracie Million, Shannon Johnson, Dylan Beasley, Cayla Davis, Evan Plank, Maddie Flick, Sadie Owens, and Jackson Evans.

The front desk computer and the secretary computer will be updated by the end of this week.

Discussion was held regarding purchasing kettle bells and another incline bench for the Fitness Center. The Park Director will look into cost and present to Park Board at next meeting.

Park Report

The Park Director gave a recap of all projects completed/to be completed in the Parks:

- The NEOS machine at Bicentennial Park has been repaired.
- The Bicentennial Park playground has been repaired after inspection.
- There was minor damage to the roof on shelter house at Bicentennial Park from the storm.
- The damage to the tiles on JayCee Park Shelter from the storm will be replaced and covered by insurance.
- Plans are underway to reconfigure the bathrooms to ADA compliance at JayCee park by the fire station.
- There are 4 marked Ash trees to be removed from City Square.
- The home dug out at North field will be replace through insurance coverage.
- The covered bridge at City Park is nearing completion.
- There are 2 trees to be removed by the North field shed.
- All playgrounds are receiving repairs after inspection.

The next Park board meeting will be held at the North Shelter, weather permitting, for a dedication ceremony.

Marilyn Dick made a motion with a second from Bev Reynolds for a transfer of \$15,000 from Park Sales Tax to the Park Department, upon City Council approval, with \$10,000 going toward tree and stump removal throughout the Parks, and \$5,000.00 to meet the insurance deductible in order to utilize the insurance claims for damage done to park shelters and umbrella at pool from the storm. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion held in prioritizing draining and dredging the North Pond next Spring.

Pool Report

Brandon Kinkead gave a report on Swim Team:

- There were 85 swimmers.
- 65 swimmers participated in the Conference Swim Meet-5 gold medals, 10 silver medals, and a large number of bronze medal winners.
- Only one swim meet was cancelled due to weather.
- The starting blocks will be re-built for next season.
- The lane rope reel will be repaired for next season.

There were five minor accidents at the pool this season. Brandon reported that there were many compliments about the new pool renovations and the professionalism of the staff.

The final pool attendance for this season is 10,948. Last year's final attendance was 12,407.

The pool closed to the public for this season on Sunday August 14, 2016. The high school gym classes will be utilizing the pool during the week until September 2, 2016. The pool will be drained that following week.

The painting project at the pool will be completed after the pool is drained.

The new parking lot addition at the pool will be finished this Fall.

Discussion was held regarding the need to purchase an additional sump pump for next pool season.

The Splash Pad will now be open from 6:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. until the beginning of October.

Items Which May Arise:

The Park board was presented with a policy already in place from City Hall regarding the use of social media in the workplace. The Parks and Rec Department will adopt this policy to use for employees.

The City Administrator reported that the fire trucks at JayCee park have been declared surplus property. The Park Department will be utilizing the fire station for storage.

The City Administrator discussed the re-setting of property tax rates.

Next meeting scheduled for noon on Tuesday, September 20, 2016 at the North Shelter.

Meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Andrea Owens Parks and Recreation Dept Secretary