

Centralia Park Board Meeting Minutes (unapproved)

Tuesday, March 21, 2017

Centralia Recreation Center –12:00 PM

Park Board Members Present: Mike Kinkead, Bev Reynolds, Marilyn Dick, Richard Dickerson, JoDean Newsted, Mandi Barnes, Harold Ward and Harold Beasley.

Also Present: Erle Bennett-Park Director, Andrea Owens-Park Department Secretary, Matt Harline- City Administrator

Meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Park Board President, Mike Kinkead.

Minutes from the February 21, 2017 and March 6, 2017 meetings were approved by consent.

The Treasurer's Report was approved by consent. Harold Beasley made a motion with a second from Harold Ward to transfer \$2,500.00 from the Recreation Center to the Pool to zero out the Pool account. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

Harold Beasley moved that the Park Board of the City of Centralia, Missouri hold a closed meeting and a closed vote today, and the purposes of such closed session and closed vote shall be hiring, firing, disciplining or promotion of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded, as provided for under Section 610.021 (2) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri. Mike Kinkead asked that this motion be adopted by roll call vote. Bev Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote: Voting For: Mike Kinkead, Marilyn Dick, Richard Dickerson, Dale Davidson, Mandi Barnes, Harold Ward, Harold Beasley, and Bev Reynolds. Voting Against: None. The session was closed.

During the closed session, Marilyn Dick moved that the Park Board of the City of Centralia increase the Park Directors salary by 8% with no benefits. Harold Beasley seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following vote: Voting For: Bev Reynolds, Richard Dickerson, Harold Beasley, Harold Ward, Marilyn Dick, Mandi Barnes, Dale Davidson, and Mike Kinkead. Voting Against: None.

There being no further business to discuss, Richard Dickerson made a motion to return to open session. Dale Davidson seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote: Voting For: Mike Kinkead, Bev Reynolds, Richard Dickerson, Harold Beasley, Marilyn Dick, Harold Ward, Mandi Barnes, Bev Reynolds, and Dale Davidson. Voting Against: None. The session was opened.

Recreation Center

It was reported that the Rec Center currently has 2,929 members. Last month the membership was 2,941, and last year the membership was 2,893.

The new spring class session that began Monday, March 6, 2017 and will run through Friday, April 28, 2017 has the following number of participants:

- ❖ 5 AM Aerobics held Mondays and Fridays from 5:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. taught by Emily Hedrick—6 participants.
- ❖ 5 AM Kick Fit held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. taught by Samantha Bryson—5 participants.
- ❖ Morning Mix held MWF from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. taught by Christyne Robertson—8 participants.
- ❖ Traditional Yoga held TTH from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. taught by Andrea Owens—10 participants.
- ❖ Seniors in Shape held MWF from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. taught by Christyne Robertson—19 participants.
- ❖ Mom's Fit held MWF from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. taught by Samantha Bryson on MW and Amber Waltemate on F—8 participants.
- ❖ Evening Aerobics M-TH from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. taught by Christyne Robertson—10 participants.
- ❖ ZUMBA held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. taught by Taylor Warbritton—13 participants.

Brief discussion was held regarding some possible classes to be held at the Rec Center over the summer, such as volleyball, basketball, and dance classes. More detailed information to be presented at a later date.

The Park Director presented the Board with ideas to move toward healthier snacks and drinks at the Rec Center. Ideas discussed were: Alligator Ice fruit juice instead of soda, sherbert instead of ice cream, less candy, and the addition of string cheese, Gogurt, granola bars, and frozen fruit. Trial runs of these items will begin in the next 2 weeks during Kids Club.

The Park Director reported that the SMART program will be renting the Gymnasium and Activity Room from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday March 24, 2017 for a Family Fun Night.

Richard Dickerson made a motion with a second from Bev Reynolds to enroll an insurance reimbursement program for seniors, called “Silver Sneakers”, into the Rec Center membership program.

Park Report

The Park Director reported that the conference in Branson was a success, and shared some of the information he learned: Marketing through graphic design and websites, Senior citizen programs, Tween programs, Obstacle courses, and Concessions ideas.

The dugouts at the North field are completely renovated.

The JayCee Park bathrooms have been painted, epoxy on the floor will be sealed, and the water/electricity will be installed next week.

The Park Department and the Library will be exploring a partnership for an inclusive playground on the library grounds.

The Park Director reported that he is pursuing a grant application to apply for the addition of six horse shoe pits at the City Park.

Pool Report

The Lifeguard Training last week was a success, and five trainees passed the course and will be hired as a lifeguard for the Centralia Municipal Pool—Draven Hamilton, Kyle Haskell, Clayton Simkins, Carter Simkins, and Caden Vanskike.

No changes have been made to the Pool calendar at this time, will open Memorial Day, May 29, 2017 and close August 12, 2017.

The Park Director discussed projects to be done at the Pool before opening day:

- Remove stumps and brush
- Seeding
- Marking the parking lot
- Install additional sump pump
- Add two additional bike racks

The Park Director reported that he is planning on working with a company to clean, powder coat, and weld the pool furniture as needed.

Discussion was held regarding fixing the starting blocks with new lag bolts or braces, and will be determined upon investigation.

Discussion was held regarding the need for sidewalks to be implemented on Booth Street on both sides regarding people walking to and from the Pool.

Items Which May Arise:

The City Administrator reported he and the Park Director will be meeting to add specific addresses to all of the park systems.

Plans are underway to host a Mayor’s Cup Golf Tournament on the Fourth of July. Details presented at a later date.

Next meeting scheduled for noon on Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Andrea Owens Parks and Recreation Dept Secretary