

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, July 10, 2019 @ 7:00PM
JAMES J. EAGAN CENTER

Board Members Present: Linda Rose, Walt Kaiser, Robert Shoemaker, Monica Wideman, Andre Hill and Jason Steinbruegge

Not in attendance: Kristina Curnutt, Rev Robinson

City Staff Attendance: Cheryl Thompson and Beth Goldstein

Approval of Minutes: Meeting began at 7:00 pm. All in attendance approved minutes as written.

Citizen Participation: None

Introduction of new member Jason Steinbruegge

Report from the Director of Parks and Recreation:

- There will be a ceremonial ribbon cutting this Saturday night at 7 p.m. before the first concert to re-open St. Ferdinand Lake. We will be initiating a catch and release program at least for the next year so that the fish population can be revitalized.
- The restroom at Manion is completed and site work completion is underway. The old restroom will be torn down in the next two weeks at which time this project should be complete.
- The ground breaking of the Splash Pad was held last Monday, we should start to see work starting this Friday with the delivery of our equipment next week it should be looking pretty good soon.
- Camp's last week will be next week with family nights Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Kenny Fowler a former council member and a former Rec III had died and his family will be hosting a celebration of his life here at Eagan on August 3 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- Staff is starting to work on the 5k Suicide Prevention race. We are looking for sponsors so if you have anyone who would like help or donate anything towards this race please have them contact Beth Carr at bcarr@florissantmo.com or 314-921-4250 at JFK.
- Summer softball will be wrapping up soon with fall leagues getting underway.
- Bangert pool is experiencing a lower year revenue-wise due to all of the rain and thunderstorms we have been having.
- The format of the brochure and the Focus will be changing beginning with the December issue. These two publications will be combined into one so that we will be able to get all of our info into every home in Florissant.

I would like to set up another park tour since there are so many new members. Jason would like a breakdown of how much common ground and park area the City has.

Communications: None

Unfinished Business: Walt asked if we received list of flowers planted at the butterfly garden at Dunegant. Cheryl will email Tony to get list.

Linda handed out copies for recommendations for 2020 Budget. There was discussion on the Skate Park by board members. Linda also handed out information on the new Power Complex in Hazelwood. Members were asking about basketball hoops, Cheryl stated the ones at Manion will be updated. Linda asked about the youth lounge having more to offer teens. Cheryl updated that Kim has been trying to work with the youth to see what they are interested in. Monica asked about survey and information on Youth Advisory. Cheryl gave updates and will have Janice send information to Monica. Linda asked about chess tables in budget. Members suggested adding chess to summer camp program.

Walt asked how we were doing on the honey suckle at Sunset Park. Cheryl is waiting to hear from Great River Greenway, they were coming up with a plan for us that would involve the community helping.

Monica asked if anything had been discussed with Councilmembers about attending commission meetings.

Board Members had a discussion on the future of Bangert Pool.

New Business: None

Adjournment: Walt made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 and was seconded by Monica