

**Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Overland
held on April 28, 2016**

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

No Resident Comments.

The following commission members were in attendance:

Robert Schuetz	Kent Funkhouser
Pat Price	Steve Miller
Rich Palmer	Karen Seal

Parks & Recreation Director: Erin Willey

Absent: Dennis Chiodini

Steve Miller announced that this will be his last meeting due to his residency changing from Overland to St. Charles. He thanks all the commission members for their time and he will miss them all.

Discussion took place about the new vacancy in the commission in regards to appointments by the Mayor.

Rich Palmer made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2016 meeting. Motion was seconded by Karen Seal. Motion approved 5 -0.

Park Report presented by Erin Willey.

Discussion took place about the possibility of a future skate park in Overland in regards to the Parks Director asking for research help in identifying locations within Overland that would be best suited for this park amenity idea. Pat Price recommended the location be considered at Legion Park where the old pool use to be in the past. He believes that safe access can be made for kids traveling to and from the skate park if the City were to build one there. Karen Seal objects stating that the large City trucks traveling up and down Milton is not safe for children to travel if a skate park was to be placed there. She stresses the recommendation of visibility for security and maintenance to help detour any potential vandalism. Rich Palmer and Karen Seal both recommended the small grass area behind the Community Center off of Verona. Erin Willey provided information that if the City uses the Analytic Building nearby the Center, that that area may needed for

parking but nothing has been decided at this time. Karen Seal mention a small skate park being built by the American Ramp company that is 85' x60' with a cost a little over \$70,000. This is the intended size she would like the City to consider for future thought and research. Erin Willey recapped that nothing is to be decided in regards to a Skate Park, but that if the opportunity presents its self that having this research on file would help in the future. Therefore, she is requesting that Commission Members please keep an eye out when traveling through Overland for future ideas that may be researched at a later date.

Discussion took place about the next Municipal Park Grant regarding Parks Commissions recommendation to apply it towards the replacement of Mort Jacobs Park Playground. The Parks Director explained that this decision has not been approved by the City Council yet due to two playgrounds being removed at the same time. The Parks Dept hopes to have information gathered to present to the Council for discussion sometime soon.

Robert Schuetz motioned to adjourn and Pat Price seconded it. All approved. 5-0.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

Erin Willey

Erin Willey
Parks and Recreation Director