

Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Overland held on January 28, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

The following commission members were in attendance:

Robert Schuetz	Raymond Kennedy
Dennis Chiodini	Amy Foulks
Russell Ward	Karen Seal

Parks & Recreation Director: Erin Willey
Absent: Donna Dill

Resident Comments: None

Dennis Chiodini made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2020 meeting. Motion was seconded by Amy Foulks. Motion approved 4-0 with Raymond Kennedy and Russell Ward Abstain votes.

New commission members Russell Ward and Raymond Kenndey were welcomed to the Commission.

Park Report presented by Parks & Recreation Director, Erin Willey.

Discussion took place about Legion Park in regards to park use in 2020, removal of trees along east side of park, landscaping and planting for connecting a pedestrian walking path from Baltimore to the inside of the park, cleanup in the containment area, and the Community Garden.

Discussion took place about Mort Jacobs Park in regards to park use in 2020, missing equipment on the playground due to surface repairs, trail maintenance, dead tree removal, restrooms, and hillside drainage status.

Discussion took place about Norman Myers Park in regards to new required cleaning procedures for amenities to reopen in 2021, track maintenance, tree removal, over seeding and aeration of field and the replacement of the roof at the pavilion from last Fall 2020.

Discussion took place about Erickson Plaza in regards to vandalism to the fountain letters and re-staining of the gazebo and pergola last Fall 2020.

Discussion took place about Verona Pavilion in regards to its use for drive by special events and OFM was able to use for half of the summer in 2020.

Discussion took place about Robert B Brooks Park in regards to restroom roof replacement, revision of master plan, security cameras, and grant recommendation for 2021 to council. A motion was made for the Parks Commission to recommend to the City Council that a St Louis

Municipal Park Grant in 2021 be applied to Robert B Brooks Park for Phase 1 renovations.
Motion approved. 6-0.

Discussion took place about Wild Acres Park in regards to trail maintenance, lake treatment, banquet hall use during COVID, school house demolition recommendation to council, garage roof replacement recommendation to council, dead tree removal and pruning recommendation to council, and renewal agreement with Missouri Dept. of Conservation for fish stocking at the lake.

Discussion took place about Woodson Road Park in regards to Dog Park and tennis court use in 2020.

Discussion took place about Canterway Park in regards to required covid playground cleaning and playground surface shrinkage repairs made. Additional patch work coming this Fall 2021.

Discussion took place about the Community Center in regards to areas that are open in the current phase, staffing during COVID, projects that were completed, Projects that are pending, and projects allocated for next fiscal year.

Discussion took place about current job openings in the Parks & Recreation Department.

Discussion took place about the Park Sales Tax Revenue in regards to the current status during COVID.

Discussion took place about the proposed budgeted projects for next fiscal year in regards to capital and general requests for FY 20-21 and 21-22 pending council approval.

Robert Schuetz requested that at our next meeting in February that the Parks Commission revisit the original proposed feasibility study regarding Parks & Recreation user fee recommendation that was set to go to council March 2020 but was delayed to COVID.

Amy Foulks motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Karen Seal. Motion approved.

Adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

ATTEST:

Erin Willey

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Parks and Recreation Director