

Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Overland held on February 23, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

The following commission members were in attendance (circle those present):

Amy Foulks	Russell Ward	Robert Schuetz
Dennis Chiodini	Pat Talir	

Parks & Recreation Director: Erin Willey

Absent: Paula Brown (excused), Cassie Dyer, and Council Liaison for Parks & Recreation

Commission: Larry Bennett

Resident Comments: None

Dennis Chiodini made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2023 meeting. Motion was seconded by Amy Foulks. Motion Approved 5-0.

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

Discussion took place about Wild Acres Park in regards to the Missouri Governor's Press Conference from December 2022 regarding new guidelines for lake runoff and if it will affect Wild Acres Lake.

Discussion took place about the Community Center in regards to the Exposed Structure Cleaning Project and floor protection.

Discussion took place about job openings within the Parks & Recreation Dept.

Discussion took place about Community Events and the use of part time help at the events.

Discussion took place about the new Summer Events Committee formed by the Mayor and their role to the City and the Parks & Recreation Dept. As a result of this committee formation, Donna Dill has retired her position on the Parks Commission so that she can head the Special Events Committee.

Discussion took place about Summer Camp in regards to the City offering youth summer camps this year. The Parks & Recreation Director stated that the City is currently working on offering specialty camps in co-operation with surrounding municipalities and organizations for this year. In addition, the City is looking into offering a possible co-operation with the City of St Ann in 2024 for a tradition day camp.

Discussion took place about Woodson Road Dog Park in regards to the City of University City and the Army Core of Engineers Proposal. The Parks & Recreation Director informed the Commission that there have been many discussions between multiple agencies but we have not

heard anything further in regards to the City of University City still wishing to pursue their proposal.

Robert Schuetz informed that Commission that he wrote an email to the Mayor and City Administrator regarding the Parks & Recreation Director's organization and diligence towards the repairs of the Zip Line at Canterway Park. The Zip Line has had several issues with the way the manufacturer was designing parts and with recent Zip Line Wiring Issues late last year, the Parks & Recreation Director was able to show recorded data to the playground company to have the live wire cable system replaced for free. The Zip Line is scheduled to be repaired with install Spring 2023.

Discussion took place about the Municipal Park Grant History in regards to thanking past and current members who have contributed towards the improvements in the parks.

Discussion took place about Wild Acres Park in regards to the tree statues.

Discussion too place about the St Louis County Midland / Lackland Re-Construction Plan and its impact to Norman Myers Park.

Amy Foulks motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dennis Chiodini. Motion approved.

Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Erin Willey

Erin Willey – Parks & Recreation Director