

Park Board
Cultural Arts & Recreation Center Arvin Room
Thursday, January 12, 2012

4:00 pm Regular Board Meeting
MINUTES

Members present: Michael Auger, Pam Ault, Ted Server, John Shafer

Staff present: Chip Orner - Superintendent, Rocky Stultz - Asst. Superintendent, Tena Stahlhut - Business Services Director

Guests present: Mayor Joe McGuinness, Joanna Myers, Cecilia Campbell

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Auger at 4:07 pm.

2. Announcements & Presentations

a. Election of officers

President: Michael Auger

Vice President: Pam Ault

Secretary: John Shafer

b. Planning Commission appointment

Representative: Pam Ault

3. Public Comments

None

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of meeting minutes from December 15, 2011. Motion was made by Michael Auger and seconded by Pam Ault to approve minutes from December 15, 2011 meeting. The Board unanimously approved.

b. Approval of Claims & Signing of Claim Sheets

Motion was made by Michael Auger and seconded by Pam Ault to approve the claims. The Board unanimously approved.

5. Old Business

a. Greenway Trail extension project update

1. Chip reported the preliminary work for the trail from Needham Elementary to Heritage Subdivision has been completed. The trail should be completed by the summer. The trail will be approximately one mile long. Bridgework will be completed at a later date. The project will be paid from Park Impact fees.

2. Proposed trail from Franklin Community High School to the Knollwood Subdivision is being investigated. Chip met with the property owner to discuss the trail going through the property. The owner will report back to Chip after discussing the proposal with other family members.

b. Upper Shelbyville Road trail extension – appraisal report

1. Chip reported the appraisal for the Paris' property was approximately \$5,800.00. After much review and discussion a motion was made by Pam Ault and seconded by Michael Auger to direct Park Board attorney, J.

Andrew Woods, to proceed with the official offer and eminent domain actions for the continuation of the Upper Shelbyville Road Trail project. The Board voted 3 Ayes and 1 Abstain. The motion carried.

c. Full-time Marketing position

Chip provided the Board with the new marketing position proposal. He will be presenting the proposal to the City Council for approval on Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012.

6. New Business

a. Wonder Five Center Lease Agreement

After a brief discussion a motion was made by Michael Auger and seconded by Pam Ault to approve the Wonder Five Center Lease Agreement. The Board unanimously approved.

b. Memorandum of Understanding – Scott Park

After a brief discussion a motion was made by Michael Auger and seconded by John Shafer to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Scott Park usage.

c. Greenlawn Cemetery Management

Chip informed the Board that the management of the Greenlawn Cemetery will now fall under the Park Board's leadership. Larry Bundy will remain the Cemetery Operations Supervisor and oversee the day to day operations of the cemetery. He will also continue management of the cemetery management software program. Larry will report to Chip. A motion was made by Michael Auger and seconded by John Shafer to accept Mayor Joe McGuinness's recommendation for approving the Board of Public Works and Safety's delegation of authority relative to Greenlawn Cemetery to the Franklin Parks Board. The Board unanimously approved.

7. Reports

a. Administration

1. Chip presented an updated report from Phil Warrenburg regarding the pool water slide proposal and Scott Park parking proposal. The Scott Park parking project is being discussed with land owners and a donation has been requested.

b. Recreation/Community Events

1. Franklin Super Celebration – Friday Feb. 3 and Sat. Feb 4, 2012

2. Daddy Daughter Dance and Mom/Son Bowling will be Sat. Feb. 18, 2012.

c. Parks & Facilities

1. Flood Buyout Area

Joanna Myers, Senior Planner, reported there are still six houses left to be dismantled. Also work is still needed for removal of alleys, roads and utilities. She stated when the Parks Department maintains the properties in 2012 the staff salaries and supplies will be reimbursed from FEMA. The Parks Department should be taking over grounds maintenance in March 2013.

2. Cecelia Campbell addressed the Board with suggestions for some of the Flood Buyout Area. She expressed the desire to be on a committee to help establish property amenities. She made suggestions for a fountain with surrounding stonework, a meditation garden, statues, and a commemoration of the 2008 flood.

b. Active Adults Center

1. None

c. Financial Report

1. Chip presented the Board with an updated 2011 financial report.

8. Park Board Comments

1. It was suggested the Parks Board come up with ideas for a new bond issue. Definite ideas should be available by June 2012. There should be suggestions for things that must be done and things that are wanted to be done.

9. Adjournment

Motion was made by Michael Auger and seconded by John Shafer to adjourn the meeting. The Board unanimously approved.

Next meeting: February 16, 2012 at 4:00 pm