Park Board

Cultural Arts & Recreation Center Arvin Room

Friday, May 17, 2012

Members present: Michael Auger, Pam Ault, Debbie Gill, Dr. John Shafer
Staff present: Chip Orner – Superintendent, Rocky Stultz – Asst. Superintendent, Tena Stahlhut – Business Services Director, Pam Gibson - Active Adult Center Director
Guests present: Mayor Joe McGuinness, Councilman Steve Barnett, Jeff Peters, Phil Warrenburg, Jim Crane, Deb Schmucker, Garry Petersen, Councilman Joe Ault, Gary Moody

1. **Call to order**
   The meeting was called to order by Vice President Pam Ault at 4:00 pm

2. **Announcements & Presentations**
   a. Bid Opening – Franklin Trail Extension – Phase 1 & 2 Needham Elementary to Heritage Subdivision
   Bids were opened by Chip as follows:
   Grady Brothers - $223,000.00
   Dave O'Mara Contractors - $183.300.00
   Monroe LLC - $165,655.00
   Brusco LLC - $186,650.00
   The bids will be reviewed by Chip and Park Board Attorney J. Andrew Woods. Motion was made by Pam Ault and seconded by John Shafer to authorize Chip and Andrew to proceed with accepting the lowest most responsive, awarding the bid, and proceeding with the project.

3. **Public Comments**
   None

4. **Consent Agenda**
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from April 20, 2012
   Motion was made by Debbie Gill and seconded by John Shafer to approve the minutes from April 20, 2012 Board meeting. The Board unanimously approved.
   b. Approval of Claims & Signing of Claim Sheets
   Motion was made by Debbie Gill and seconded by John Shafer to approve claims. The Board unanimously approved.

5. **Old Business**
   None

6. **New Business**
   a. Park Bond of 2012
      1. **Public Hearing on Preliminary determination to issue bonds**

Mr. Gary Moody asked to speak. He had a few questions regarding the 2012 bond. Mr. Garry Petersen asked to speak. He wanted to thank the Board and Parks staff for the exemplary trail ways. He stated he was encouraged by the bond issues and felt they had been well thought out. He also voiced the concern for moving the playground out of the flood plain.

2. Adoption of Confirmatory Resolution

Motion was made by Pam Ault and seconded by John Shafer to adopt the confirmatory resolution 12-02 as presented. The Board unanimously approved.

b. Proposed Operation & Lease of the Active Adult Center by Johnson County Senior Services

Chip stated he felt there should be some public input session before progressing with this request. Michael Auger suggested no action be taken on this request and invite a representative from Johnson County Senior Services to make a formal presentation to the Board. He also agreed there should be public input before any action would be considered. Councilman Joe Ault, who has been involved with senior issues, stated he was not in favor of the memorandum as presented from the Johnson County Senior Services.

c. Land Donation from Temple Baptist Church

Motion was made by Pam Ault and seconded by Michael Auger to accept the land donation by Temple Baptist Church for Temple Park. The Board unanimously approved.

7. **Reports**

a. Administration

1. **Greenlawn Cemetery Regulations**

Chip wanted to inform the Board that he and Cemetery Sextant Larry Bundy would present proposed cemetery regulations for consideration and adoption at the June Board meeting. At present there are no written regulations.

b. **Recreation/Community Events**

1. 2012 Playful City USA designation

Chip informed the Board that Franklin Parks had been awarded the 2012 Playful City USA designation.

c. Parks/Facilities

1. **Upper Shelbyville Road Trail project update**

Chip stated he did not have any additional information to present at this time.

2. **Hurricane Road/Eastview Drive Trail project update**

The bids were opened tonight and will be reviewed before awarding the bid to the lowest most responsive bidder.

Chip introduced Deb Schmucker, Cornerstone Planning and Design INC. Deb will be coordinating the proposed bond projects related to the swimming pool and parking lot. She has worked with us before on 5 year master plan and other projects.

3. **Flood Buyout Area discussion**

A brief discussion was held. Michael Auger stated he would like the Board to make a decision with regards to the project for the Flood Buyout Area at the June 2012 Board meeting. He stated the Board needed to consider the feasibility of the projects as well as the cost of maintaining the projects.

d. Swimming Pool

1. Opening Day is May 19, 2012

e. Financial Report

Chip stated the revenue thus far this year is approximately $35,000 ahead of 2011.

8. **Park Board Comments**

Councilman Steve Barnett stated he appreciated attending the Park Board meetings and wanted to commend the Board on their hard work. Garry Petersen wanted to thank the Park Board for the opportunity of working on the pocket Arboretum.

9. **Adjournment**

Motion made by Michael Auger and seconded by John Shafer to adjourn the meeting. The Board unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

Next meeting: June 21, 2012 at 4:00 pm