



Franklin Parks & Recreation

Park Board
Cultural Arts & Recreation Center Conference Room
Tuesday, January 21, 2016
5:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Park Board present: Michael Auger, Pam Ault, Dr. John Shafer
Staff Present: Chip Orner – Superintendent, Rocky Stultz – Assistant Superintendent, Tena Stahlhut – Business Services Director
Guests: Mr. Jim Crane, Mr. Roger Peabody, Councilman Richard Wertz, 8 Franklin College Students (ABC's of Organization Class)

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Michael Auger at 5:30 pm.

2. Announcements & Presentations

a. Election of Officers

President: Michael Auger

Vice President: Dr. John Shafer

Secretary: Debbie Gill

b. Plan Commission appointment: Pam Ault

c. Presentation: Urban Forest – Jim Crane

Mr. Crane presented the Board with an update for the Urban Forest. He stated many saplings and seedlings have been planted thus far at the Urban Forest site and there are plans to plant 200 saplings by hand this upcoming spring by volunteers. He further stated that at the end of this summer or beginning of fall there will be tree identifications done to assist with tree selection for transplanting some trees to alternate sites. He presented photo examples of stone benches that he was seeking approval to purchase 3 or 4 and set within the Urban Forest area. To date Mr. Crane reported there has been over \$30,000.00 donated to the Urban Forest project.

3. Public Comments

None

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of meeting minutes from December 10, 2015

Motion made by Pam Ault and seconded by Dr. John Shafer to approve the Dec. 10, 2015 minutes. The Board unanimously approved.

b. Approval of Claims & Signing of Claim Sheet

Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Pam Ault to approve the claims. The Board unanimously approved.

c. Approval of the Human Resources Report

Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Pam Ault to approve the Human Resources Report. The Board unanimously approved.

5. **Old Business**

None

6. **New Business**

a. 2016 Athletic & Recreation Fund Appropriation

Motion made by Michael Auger and seconded by Pam Ault to accept the proposed 2016 Athletic & Recreation Fund Appropriation. The Board unanimously approved.

7. **Reports**

a. Department Reports

Chip referred to the 2016 Deferred Maintenance action plan. Motion was made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Pam Ault to approve the action plan and present it to the City Council for approval. The request is for the additional appropriation of \$250,000 from the Parks budget and requesting a matching \$250,000 from the City Rainy Day Fund.

Chip reported the Mayor has approved the expenditure of \$15,000 for the next Parks Master Plan preparation.

b. Financial Report

Chip presented the Board with a final 2015 budget report with comparisons for 2013 and 2014.

8. **Park Board Comments**

None

9. **Adjournment**

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

Next meeting: Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 4:00 pm