



Franklin Parks & Recreation

Park Board
Franklin Cultural Arts & Recreation Center
Wednesday, June 26, 2019
4:00pm Meeting

Park Board present: Debbie Gill, Dr. John Shafer, Michael Auger

Park Board absent: Pam Ault

Staff present: Chip Orner – Director, Rocky Stultz – Asst. Director, Brooke Willis – Business Services Director

Guests present: Jayden Kennett – Daily Journal

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Debbie Gill at 4:03pm.

2. Announcements & Presentations

None

3. Public Comments

None

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of meeting minutes from May 15, 2019

Motion made by Michael Auger and seconded by Dr. John Shafer to approve the minutes. The Board unanimously approved.

b. Approval of June Claims

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

c. Approval of Human Resources Report

1. Ratify hiring of new Park Operations Supervisor (eff. 7/22/19)

Chip advised the Board that Patrick Roberts will be hired.

2. Ratify promotion of Chris Douthitt to Park Operations Supervisor (eff. 8/3/19)

3. Ratify promotion of Nathan Brown to Park Operations Director (eff. 8/3/19)

Chip advised the Board that Mike Blackwell will be retiring August 2nd. Motion made by Michael Auger and seconded by Dr. John Shafer to approve the hiring of Patrick Roberts and to approve the promotions for Chris Douthitt and Nathan Brown. The Board unanimously approved.

5. Old Business

a. Update: Purchase of property adjacent to Blue Heron Park

Chip advised the Board that closing for the property is scheduled for July 2nd @ 4:00pm for \$24999.00.

b. Update: Family Aquatic Center

Chip advised the Board that an acid tank with 200-300 gallons has been installed in the acid room.

6. New Business

a. Purchase of 180 S. Jackson facility for Park Operations / Storage for new Amphitheater Park

Chip presented the Board members with a financial breakdown of the purchase of 180 S Jackson Street.

Chip asked that the Board approve the purchase of 180 S Jackson facility. Motion made by Debbie Gill

and seconded by Michael Auger to approve the purchase of 180 S Jackson facility for Park Operations/Storage for new Amphitheater Park. The Board unanimously approved.

b. Additional appropriation for purchase & upgrades to 180 S. Jackson facility

Chip advised that he would meet with Mayor and the City Council on additional appropriations for the purchase.

c. 2020 Budget: Parks & Recreation and Greenlawn Cemetery

Chip advised the Board that would be more details on numbers for the 2020 budget at the next Board meeting. Park improvement ideas for the 2020 budget are getting the community tennis courts updated, looking at costs for pickleball courts, and finding a different location for Cricket players. Chip asked the Board to bring a list of ideas for the next meeting.

7. **Reports**

a. Department Reports

Chip advised the Board that the Active Adult Center was receiving a new bus that will have the Franklin Parks and Recreation logo wrapped on the side of the bus. The last new vehicle was received for Parks Maintenance.

b. Financial Reports

Chip presented the Board with the most up to date financials.

8. **Additional Public Comments**

None

9. **Park Board Comments**

Park Board meeting for Thursday, July 18th will be at 3:00pm. An email reminder will be sent to all members.

10. **Adjournment**

Motion was made by Michael Auger and seconded by Dr. John Shafer to adjourn the meeting.

Next meeting: Thursday, August 15, 2019 @ 4:00pm

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