



Franklin Parks & Recreation

Park Board
Thursday, November 10, 2022
4:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
Franklin Cultural Arts & Recreation Center

Park Board present: President Debbie Gill, Dr. John Shafer, Michelle Stringer

Park Board absent: Pam Ault

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

Guests: Becky McNichols

1. **Call to Order**
Meeting called to order by Debbie Gill @ 4:15pm.
2. **Announcements & Public Comments**
 - a. Recognition of Michael Auger for 15-years of Park Board Service
Chip Orner recognized Michael Auger and his 15 years served on the Park Board.
 - b. Swearing in new Park Board Member – Mayor Barnett
Michelle Stringer introduced to the Park Board members and sworn in by Mayor Steve Barnett.
3. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approval of meeting minutes from September 15, 2022
Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Michelle Stringer to approve the September minutes. The Board unanimously approved.
 - b. Approval of October and November Claims
Motion made by Debbie Gill and seconded by Dr. John Shafer to approve the October and November claims. The Board unanimously approved.
 - c. Approval of Human Resources Report
Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Debbie Gill to approve the Human Resources Report. The Board unanimously approved.
 1. 2023 Staffing Process
Chip Orner advised the Park Board members that we begin accepting part-time applications on December 1, 2022 for all part-time positions for summer of 2023.
4. **Old Business**
 - a. Youngs Creek Park/Amphitheater construction progress final update
Chip Orner advised the Park Board members that there are a few outstanding items that need to be completed at the Amphitheater.
 1. Missing piece on water fountain at playground. Bottle filler does not work.
 2. Holes in the lawn need to be filled by the grounds people.
 3. Restrooms and splash park will be winterized.Debbie Gill asked about the status of the columbarium. Chip advised that he will be meeting with Stuart Smith and Mayor Steve Barnett.

5. New Business

- a. Additional Appropriation for Athletic & Recreation Fund for the remainder of 2022.
Motion made by Debbie Gill and seconded by Dr. John Shafer to accept the additional appropriation of \$100,000.00 for Athletic & Recreation Fund for the remainder of 2022. The Board unanimously approved.
- b. Land Donation – 1 acre adjacent to Blue Heron Park
Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Michelle Stringer to accept the land donation – 1 acre adjacent to Blue Heron Park. The Board unanimously approved.
- c. Land Donation – 12.84 acres adjacent to Bluffs at Youngs Creek
Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Michelle Stringer to accept the land donation – 12.84 acres adjacent to Bluffs at Youngs Creek. The Board unanimously approved.
- d. 2023 Fees & Charges
Chip presented the Board with the 2023 fees and charges. The 10-punch visit card will increase by \$5.00. Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Michelle Stringer to approve the 2023 fees and charges. The Board unanimously approved.
- e. Approval of 2023 Summer Concert Series title sponsor
Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Michelle Stringer to approve the 2023 Summer Concert Series title sponsor – Festival Country with \$10,000.00. The Board unanimously approved.
- f. Set 2023 Meeting Schedule
Chip presented the Board with the 2023 Park Board meeting dates. Chip advised the Board that the meetings will be held at City Hall in the Council Chambers on the 2nd Thursday of each month @ 6:00pm. We will table this item until next meeting.

6. Reports

- a. Department Reports
 1. Downtown Holiday Lighting – Saturday, Dec 3
 2. Breakfast with Santa – Saturday, Dec 10
- b. Financial Reports
Chip presented the Board with the most up-to-date financials.

7. Park Board Comments

None

8. Adjournment

Motion made by Debbie Gill and seconded by Michelle Stringer to adjourn the meeting. The Board unanimously approved.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 15, 2022 @ 4:00pm.

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