

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF SUNSET HILLS, MISSOURI
HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Sunset Hills, Missouri met through ZOOM.. The meeting convened at 6:39pm.

Roll Call

Present:	Doug McGuire	-Park Board Chairman
	Greg Colombo	-Member
	Shelia Sanders	-Member
	Claudia Svoboda	-Member
	Casey Wong	-Member
	Natalie Akins	-Member
	Kelly Finney	-Member
	Avanu Barber	-Recreation Coordinator
	Gerald Brown	-Director of Parks and Recreation
Absent:	Jill Yarasheski	-Member
	Blake Harris	-Member
	Pam Livingston	-Member
	Esther Gier	-Member

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Sanders made a motion to approve the December, 2022 minutes. Mr. Colomboseconded, unanimously approved.

New Business

A. Eagle Scout Projects

Mr. Brown provided a quick update on Eagle Nest project in Bander Property, constructed and installed.

B. Urban Forestry Items

C. Introduction of new personnel

Mr. Brown introduced Avanu Barber, Recreation Coordinator, she will be responsible for the aquatic facility. Avanu came from St. Louis County, where she did her internship, oversaw a pool season, lifeguard classes and special events. I would like to welcome her to the City of Sunset Hills. Nate is still employed with the city, but moving to more of PR role, social media, newsletter, flyers, website, etc. Nate will work closely with Avanu this year to make sure she is comfortable with everything.

D. Update on capital improvement items/projects

a. Mowing Contract

Mr. Brown informed Park Board that Board of Alderman approved contract with Ideal Landscape for \$59,000 to cut Bander, athletic fields and Minnie soccer fields.

b. Mule

Mr. Brown informed that Mule has been ordered through Mccoey Equipment (state bid). This will replace old Mule.

c. Dingo

Mr. Brown informed Park Board that he will be asking permission to purchase Dingo for \$39,000 at Feb 8th Board meeting. This is replacing old Dingo.

d. Athletic field fencing

Mr. Brown provided an update that fencing has been approved for \$15,000 to close in field #3, creating an additional field for softball.

e. Athletic field electrical tower

Mr. Brown stated that he will be bring a request to complete electrical move from tower at Board of alderman Feb 8th meeting.

f. Pool items

Mr. Brown stated that there are numerous items, drinking fountain, painting, chem controls, renovation, LED lights etc that he provided a full update to pool advisory this past Monday. We have started to acquire quotes on all items.

g. Stieren Park

Mr. Brown discussed that restroom has been ordered, hope to install in July. Also reported that we are working on front entrance signage.

E. Municipal Parks Grant Discussion

Mr. Brown discussed Four options, Lynstone Park playground, playground is 25 years old and is in need of replacement. Aquatic Facility amenity, Mr. brown explained we are in need of a new attraction at the facility. And phase 2 of Watson Trail Park playground – shade, zipline, etc. Lastly Mr. Brown reported on Kitun Park (enlarging, new amenities, etc). The Commission expressed interest in Lynstone Park, Mr. Brown will start to compile information and conceptual plans.

F. Other Matters Deemed necessary

Chairman McGuire brought up two ideas:

-100 year old plaque for houses. Mr. Brown stated that he will look and see what Webster Groves does and report back to the Commission.

-Granite stone idea – create a triangle (artwork) in one of the parks.

Alderman Wong asked if we could look into tree preservation plans, ordinances, manual from other municipalities, regulations, rules, restrictions, guidelines, etc. Mr. Brown stated that he would compile information and share with the commission by the March meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATE

- February 23, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Svoboda made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41pm. Ms. Sanders seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

As submitted by,

Gerald Brown, Director of Parks & Recreation