

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF SUNSET HILLS, MISSOURI
HELD ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 24, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Sunset Hills, Missouri met by Zoom meeting on Wednesday, June 24, 2020. The meeting convened at 7:02pm.

Park Board

Present:	Doug McGuire	-Park Board Chairman
	Kelly Finney	-Member
	Claudia Svoboda	-Member
	Steve Bersche	-Member
	Jill Yarasheski	-Member
	Laurie Taylor	-Member
	Pam Livingston	-Member
	Blake Harris	- Member
	Gerald Brown	-Director of Parks and Recreation
	Mike Svoboda	-Guest
Absent:	Caiti Lipe	-Member
	Esther Gier	-Member

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Copies of the Minutes of the May, 2020 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting were emailed to the members for their review. Ms. Yarasheski made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. Mr. Harris seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Pre-Liminary Design for I-44 Pedestrian Bridge Project

Mr. Brown let the commission know that engineer has updated the preliminary per changes from MoDOT; however MODOT has not finalized the approval process – changes will include no public access to river; some minor changes to landscaping on West side, minor trail changes on west side due to storm water control, and some minor trail alignments to East/West side based on access for MoDOT vehicles. The plans have been distributed to Kirkwood, Fenton as well. The City of Kirkwood discussed on Monday and have recommended that Scenic Overlook be removed during Final Design Development. Ms. Yarasheski made a motion to approve the Preliminary Plans, Ms. Svoboda seconded and it was unanimously approved.

Reports

- A. Board of Alderman Report – Alderman Bersche informed that the Board approved the Playground Grant Resolution to apply for a Municipal Parks Grant for renovation to Watson Trail Park.
- B. Pool Advisory – Mr. Brown reported that the Board met on June 11th and has agreed to help assist Resident pool members by subsidizing the difference for Non-Resident to Resident with the City of Crestwood. Currently we have 13 Families and 5 individuals.
- C. Gempp Committee – Nothing to report.
- D. Swim & Dive Advisory – Nothing to report.

- E. Fitness Committee – As of June 29th we will no longer have to take reservations for work out times.
- F. Art Committee – New Sculpture Crumple and Flow was installed last week where Twisted Sister was.

Director's Report:

Mr. Brown ask if there were any questions pertaining to the written report? No questions from written report.

Mr. Brown gave a brief update on facilities; we anticipate to open the following per St. Louis County Guidelines:

- Aquatic Facility – Closed for 2020 swim season
- Day Camp – June 15th (50 kids in each week)
- Athletic Fields – June 15th – rental of fields only at this time. No league plays
- Community Center/Fitness – Fitness (June 29) no longer need reservations to work out. Meeting rooms (July 18), Group Fitness classes (week of July 13)
- Proposed new hours for remaining of the year:

Mon – Thursday	6am -8pm
Friday	6am – 4pm
Saturday	7am – 2pm
Sunday	9am – 2pm

- Shelters – July 10
- Restrooms – July 1

Mr. Brown also reported on driving range being broken into, equipment being stolen, closed the facility for 3 days while we scrambled to find other equipment to operate the facility. Anticipate to open on Thursday, June 25th.

Public Comment:

New Business

- A. **Eagle Scout Project**
- B. **Urban Forestry Concerns**
- C. Watson Trail Playground

Mr. Brown shared the design of the renovation of the Playground; spoke about the play components, ADA guidelines, 100% accessible wheel chair swing and merry go around, and water feature included in the design. Mr. Brown stated that he would have the concept plan emailed to everyone for their review and we can discuss at July meeting.

Other Matters deemed Necessary

NEXT MEETING DATE

-Park Board – July 22 @ 7pm at City Hall or Zoom if mandated.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm. Ms. Yarasheski seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

As submitted by,

Gerald Brown, Director of Parks & Recreation