

MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
JANUARY 5, 2009
4:30 P.M.

Present were the following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Mrs. Linda Teener, Mr. Bruce McMillan, Mr. Curt Herrman, Mr. Reed Scott, Mr. Oscar Montenegro, and Ms. DeAnn Waldron. Arriving late was Parks and Recreation Advisory Board member Mr. Walt Pesaresi. Also present at this meeting was Mr. Curt Loupe, Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Eddie Eastes, Park Superintendent; Mr. Mike Buchanan, Recreation Superintendent; Mr. Frank Gibbs, Park Planner; Ms. Sierra Covert, Customer Service Rep I; Mr. Chris Nelson, Recreation Supervisor; Mr. Dennis Drown, Park Supervisor; and two community guests.

Mrs. Teener called the meeting to order. It was moved by Mr. McMillan, seconded by Mr. Herrman to approve the minutes of the Regular Meetings held November 3 and December 1, 2008. On vote, motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION OF ACOUSTICS AT DEPOT

This item was moved up on the agenda due to the community member having prior commitments. Mr. Loupe gave a brief introduction and background to the need of better acoustics at the depot.

Mike Mecseri, Preservation Alliance, presented a few ideas they have discussed. The first idea was to add carpeting to the floor, but there are several limitations to this idea. The second idea was to add picture molding at the paint line and hang panels from there. He stated that the panels not be art work, but be a similar color as the wall color.

Discussion was held and questions were answered at this time.

Mr. Loupe suggested moving forward with this idea and acquiring a quote.

MEET THE STAFF AND REVIEW

Mr. Nelson introduced himself by giving a brief biography followed by explaining his responsibilities as Recreation Supervisor, which include adult/youth soccer, dodge ball, kickball, intramurals at Manhattan High School, and Home School P.E.

Mr. Drown gave a brief biography and explained his responsibilities as Park Supervisor.

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PARK DEDICATION CONSIDERATION

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members were asked to recommend two individuals for a joint subcommittee of the Planning Board. Mr. Loupe gave some background information about the committee and discussion was held. Mr. Montenegro and Mrs. Teener volunteered for this committee.

DISCUSSION OF NAMING POLICY

Discussion was held about the changes made at previous meetings and new changes suggested at this meeting. Mrs. Teener suggested that a final copy be prepared and given to the board at their next meeting including all changes from previous discussions.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

*Animal Shelter and related costs

MONTHLY REPORT

The Board asked to see a 2007 year-to-date rather than a November 2007 number on future monthly reports.

KANSAS RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION (KRPA) MEMBER

Mr. Loupe explained that the Board Members are members of KRPA under the agency membership.

It was moved by Mr. McMillan, seconded by Mr. Herrman to adjourn the meeting. On vote, motion carried 7-0.