

MINUTES  
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
CITY COMMISSION ROOM  
AUGUST 1, 2011  
4:30 P.M.

Present were the following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members: Ms. Linda Teener, Ms. Stacy Mackey, Mr. Bruce McMillan, Mr. Oscar Montenegro, and Ms. Ashalen Sims. Mr. Walt Pesaresi was absent. Present at this meeting was Mr. Curt Loupe, Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Mike Buchanan, Recreation Superintendent; Mr. Eddie Eastes, Assistant Director; Mrs. Sarah Humbert, Customer Service Representative II; and Mrs. Pam Jager, Senior Accountant. Visitors included: Mr. Clint McAllister and Mrs. Dee Brokesh.

MINUTES

Ms. Teener called the meeting to order and welcomed new board member Ms. Ashalen Sims. It was moved by Mr. McMillan, seconded by Ms. Mackey to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 6, 2011. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ms. Teener asked for any nominations for new officers. It was moved by Mr. McMillan, seconded by Mr. Montenegro to retain the current chair and vice chair, which are Ms. Teener and Ms. Mackey. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

HIKING/MOUNTAIN BIKING TRAIL (WILDCAT CREEK LINEAR PARK)

Mr. Clint McAllister, with a new activist group called Manhattan Trail Works, passed out a proposal to preserve, restore, and expand the existing trail west of Manhattan High School. The proposal is for a looped trail for hiking and mountain biking. Discussion was held. Mrs. Dee Brokesh, with the Landscape/Architecture program at KSU, inquired whether extra copies of the proposal would be available. She noted that Sunflower Trails offers a 50/50 match program that could help fund the project.

GOODNOW CABIN UPDATE

Two guests from the Goodnow Cabin Coalition were present but deferred to Mr. Loupe for the update. Mr. Loupe summarized a lunch meeting that was held with members of the KSU Department of Architecture.

AUGUST TOUR

Mr. Loupe recommended that the tour be moved to September in hopes of cooler temperatures. Sites mentioned were the Goodnow Cabin; swimming pools; Flag Plaza; proposed Northeast Park sidewalk extension site; new scoreboards; and trail site for Wildcat Creek Linear Park. It was discussed to have a short regular meeting on September 12 followed by a tour; provided the weather is cooler.

MISCELLANEOUS

Ms. Teener asked about the Fairmont/Riverfront Park. Mr. Loupe suggested adding this area to the September tour. Mr. Montenegro mentioned the Discovery Center and Ms. Teener, the zoo; requesting updates. Mr. Loupe proposed a Discovery Center tour in October. The monthly report was discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Loupe gave brief updates on the Zoo Education Center; Flag Plaza; Discovery Center, swimming pools; and on the park naming (Discovery Park Plaza).

It was moved by Mr. Montenegro, seconded by Ms. Mackey to adjourn the meeting. On vote, motion carried 5-0.