

MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
LARGE ASSEMBLY ROOM-FIRE STATION HEADQUARTERS
MARCH 15, 2004
7:00 P.M.

Present were the following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Mr. Roger Brannan, Mr. Bruce McMillan, Mr. Reed Scott, Mr. Randy Martin, Mrs. Marie Steichen, and Ms. Jean Darbyshire. Mrs. Beverly Page was absent at this meeting. Also present at this meeting was Mr. Terry DeWeese, Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Scott Shoemaker, Zoo Director; Mr. Frank Gibbs, Park Planner; Mr. Ivan Wilkinson, Recreation Superintendent; and Mrs. Debbie Dugan, Administrative Supervisor. Visitors were present.

Mr. McMillan called the meeting to order.

COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT TASK FORCE

Mr. McMillan, Chairperson of the Task Force, distributed an agenda for the meeting.

Mr. Tim Musch stated that a box has been placed at Howie's Recycling Center to donate money from aluminum cans for a Recreation Center.

Mrs. Cindy Kraus spoke about interest in programs for younger children and represents the Mom's Club.

Mr. Martin inquired about the time frame and if a bond issue could go to a vote in April 2005. Mr. McMillan stated that the City Commission would determine what direction to take after the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board makes their recommendation. Mr. DeWeese stated that if the City Commission decided to have a bond issue, then the time frame of April would be feasible.

Mr. McMillan discussed the schedule of the Task Force and Focus Groups' meetings. He stated that the final presentation would be presented to the City Commission on September 14, 2004.

Discussion was held conducting a public survey.

It was moved by Mrs. Steichen, seconded by Ms. Darbyshire to accept the timeline as presented. On vote, motion carried 6-0.

Mr. McMillan discussed the selection of proposed participants to serve on the Task Force. Suggestions for the Focus Groups included Mom's Club, Head Start, Parents as Teachers, Fitness Clubs, dance groups, etc. Mr. McMillan stated that the purpose of the Task Force was to listen to the community on what "quality of life" issues were important and report the findings to the Board.

It was moved by Mrs. Steichen, seconded by Mr. Martin to allow City Administration to make necessary contact with the list of individuals regarding interest and availability to serve on the Community Needs Task Force and report back to the Board at the meeting on April 5, 2004. On vote, motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Steichen, seconded by Mr. Scott to adjourn the meeting. On vote, motion carried 6-0.

Approved by Chairperson Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Date