

MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
OCTOBER 1, 2001
4:30 P.M.

Present were the following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Ms. Jean Darbyshire, Ms. Beverly Page, and Mr. Larry Weaver. Mr. Gerald Reeck and Mrs. Marie Steichen reported later to the meeting. Mrs. Phyllis Moore and Mr. Roger Brannan were absent at this meeting. Also present at this meeting was Mr. Terry DeWeese, Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Jerry Dishman, Park Superintendent; Mr. Scott Shoemaker, Zoo Director; Mr. Ivan Wilkinson, Recreation Superintendent; and Mrs. Debbie Dugan, Administrative Supervisor.

Due to a lack of a quorum at the beginning of the meeting, the approval of the minutes was moved to the next agenda item.

STAFF REORTS

Mr. Jerry Dishman, Park Superintendent; Mr. Scott Shoemaker, Zoo Director; Mr. Ivan Wilkinson, Recreation Superintendent; and Mrs. Debbie Dugan, Administrative Supervisor, gave staff reports.

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Ms Darbyshire called the meeting to order. It was moved by Ms. Page, seconded by Mr. Weaver to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 10, 2001. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Mr. DeWeese explained that the Board had received a presentation from the Community Foundation in May of 2000. Mr. DeWeese introduced Mr. Jim Morrison to the Board. Mr. Morrison introduced Mr. Michael Prothe. Mr. Prothe explained the different funds and procedures of the Community Foundation.

The Board asked Mr. Prothe questions, which were answered at that time.

It was moved by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Ms. Page to recommend to the City Commission that the Parks and Recreation Department utilize the Community Foundation for donations and gifts. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION GRANT

Mr. DeWeese explained that City Administration has received final notification that the Parks and Recreation Department has received a \$64,690 grant from the National Park Service to used for a Skate Park in CiCo Park. He explained that the City Commission would need to sign a contract to accept the grant.

It was moved by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Steichen to accept the Land and Water Conservation Grant and recommend the City Commission sign the contract with the National Park Service. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

WARNER PARK MEETINGS

Mr. DeWeese explained that the meetings for Warner Park will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 18, 2001 – Large Assembly Room, Fire Station; Monday, October 22, 2001 – Riley County Seniors Service Center; and Thursday, October 25, 2001 – Holiday Inn and Holidome. He explained that mailings and advertisement would be sent out on the meetings.

Ms. Darbyshire explained that these meetings would be held to gather information from the community. The Board would not hold any discussion during these meetings and would make a final recommendation at an official meeting.

The Board suggested having representatives from the Fire and Police Departments at the first meeting, October 18, to answer questions and hear from the community. It was also suggested that the Board submit any questions they might have for the Fire or Police Departments to Mrs. Dugan, so a list of questions could be submitted to the departments before the meeting. The Board would also like to have representatives from the Fire and Police Departments at the meeting on November 5, 2001. The Board at their meeting on December 3, 2001 will make a final recommendation on Warner Park.

MISCELLANEOUS

Warner Park Boundaries – Mr. DeWeese explained that City Administration has one more property owner to contact. After this meeting, City Administration will contact the effected property owners about correcting the boundaries within the timeframe established by the Board.

Joint Meeting with Riley County Park Board – The Board will meet with the Riley County Park Board on December 11, 2001 in the Lecture Hall, Fire Station.

Animal Shelter Update – City Administration will give the City Commission an update on the Animal Shelter at their Work Session on October 9, 2001.

Future Agenda Items – Longs Park update and Linear Park Trail System.

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

Approved by Chairperson Parks and Recreation
Advisory Board

Date