

MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Parks & Recreation Office
1101 W. Fourth Street
January 13, 2020
5:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair JaneAnn Oldrup called the January 13, 2020 meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

The following were present:

Members: JaneAnn Oldrup, Kim Elliott, Maegan Sanders, and James Edwards. The following were absent: Barry Mathison, Becky Joyce and Hannah Robertson.

Staff present: Jim Burress, Parks Director; Marcus Gallegos, Recreation Manager and Daisy Diaz, Administrative Assistant-Cemetery.

Guests present: Carolyn Mitchell, Vicki Burress, Bonnie Bitzer, and Margaret Kennard.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Elliott motioned to approve the agenda; member James seconded, a voice vote was unanimous. Motion passed, with members Mathison, Joyce, and Robertson being absent.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Member Edwards motioned to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2019 meeting, member Sanders seconded. A voice vote was unanimous motion passed, with members Mathison, Joyce, and Robertson being absent.

E. NON-ACTION ITEMS

2. Report on the Roswell Recreation and Aquatic Center- Marcus Gallegos, Recreation Manager gave report on Aquatic center. USA Pool Management contract will end February 1, 2020. The Aquatic center will take over daily operations. The new Aquatic Manager has been hired. He is expected to begin working at the beginning of February.

New pool tables are available at the Adult Center. Four pool tables were purchased in conjunction with the Roswell Adult Center Foundation who helped by purchasing two of the four tables. Survey being conducted for the adult center survey will be available online and on paper at the adult center.

3. Report on the Parks Department- Jim Burress, Parks Director gave a report and answered questions regarding the Parks department.

- Cemetery- working on getting a software program in place. To get all legal documents scanned.
- Golf Course- Looking at contract expectations and re-organizing staff.
- Park- Working on cutting down trees that are no good, but planting three to five for everyone that is cut down.
- Zoo- Working on getting bids to get the carousel painted. Pond being drained to fix the walls. Once walls are, fixed pond will be refilled. Friends of the Zoo donated \$14,000 to the city.

4. Update on Inclusive Playground-Jim Burress, Parks Director stated he wrote the Governor a letter asking for support on the Inclusive Playground. Anyone is welcome to write letters requesting support from the Governor. Just let Chair, JaneAnn Oldrup know and she can provide the email address to the appropriate person that will get them to the Governor.

5. General Discussion- Jim Burress, Parks Director stated that the city is looking for consistency in the way all committees and boards are done. Mr. Burress will provide more information at the next meeting and talk more about terms, agenda and minute templates.

F. ACTION ITEMS

None

G. OTHER BUSINESS

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bonnie Bitzer, citizen commented that while she was campaigning few people mentioned they would like to see lights on the walking paths at the soccer complex. Mr. Burress stated there already is lights along the trails around the soccer field in the internal side, but there is no plans on putting any on the external side.

Carolyn Mitchell, president of Roswell Adult Center Foundation encourages everyone to participate on the adult center survey.

H. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Next Commission meeting: February 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.