

Aurora Park Board Meeting
Aurora Police & Fire Community Room
106 S. Elliott
Aurora, MO
Feb 14, 2014
8:15 AM
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I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Theresa Pettit

II. Roll Call

President: Theresa Pettit (2016)- Present
Vice President: Julie Browning (2015)- present
Secretary/Board Member Heidi Davis –Ryan (2014) -absent
Board member: Bob Moffitt (2015)- present
Board member: Ray Perry (2015)- present
Board member: Clara Childress (2016)- present
Board member: Jennifer Gautney (2014)- present
Board member: Dan Jackson - (2014)- absent (on vacation)
Board member: OPEN (2016)-
Councilman: Steve Ramirez -absent - working

Others in attendance: City Manager Mike Randall, Kyle Wilson, Ginni Swaim & Judy Dingman

President noted due to the absence of Board secretary, Pettit offered to take the minutes unless someone else volunteered. No offers made.

II. Audience Participation-

III. New Business

1. Park Board Position – Review resignation of Heidi Davis Ryan. Approve any recommendations. Bob Moffitt made the motion to accept Heidi Davis Ryan’s resignation. Seconded by Ray Perry. All members present voted in favor with motion passing.
2. Park Board Position – Review applications for available park board positions. Approve any recommendations.
Kyle Wilson was interviewed by board members and he spoke areas he hopes to contribute as a board member. Of particular interest are the playgrounds. Julie Browning made the motion to recommend Kyle Wilson to City Council a Park Board position for the 2016 term. Jennifer Gautney seconded the motion. All member present voted in favor with motion passing.

Ginni Swaim was interviewed by board members and spoke of how she would like to contribute to the Park Board. Julie Browning made the motion to recommend Ginni Swaim to City Council the 2014 Park Board position. Clara Childress seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor with motion passing.

Both recommended Park Board members were instructed to attend the Feb 24 City Council meeting to be appointed and sworn in.

IV. Old Business

1. Park Funding- Betty Baum. Review presented expenditures and fund balances. Approve any recommendations. Jennifer Gautney made the motion to approve the expenditures as presented. Julie Browning seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor with motion passing.

2. Causemomentum-

- a. Review potential "costs" associated with utilizing this service. Approve any recommendations. Theresa shared there is a potential cost up to 4% if those donating through the www.causemomentum.org website don't agree to pay for their credit card transaction expense at the time of donation.
- b. Review items to ask for donations and revision of order asked. Approve any recommendations. Theresa presented the causemomentum for Park Board to see. Julie Browning made the motion to approve putting bumble bee, lady bug, dragon fly and turtle as items to be purchased as part of the 45 day challenge. Whoever donated the entire purchase price of each of the 4 items listed would be given naming rights to their "critter". Jennifer Gautney seconded the motion. All board members present voted in favor with motion passing.
- c. Discuss ordering of items that have been funded. Approve any recommendations. Theresa states when items are purchased with donated funds, we do not have to bid out that purchase. In order to have the splash pad "critters" in place when the pool is opened, they need to be ordered by March 1. Julie Browning made the motion to place a purchase order as soon as items are bought. Ray seconded the motion. All board members present voted in favor with motion passing. Due to the short window of raising funds, Theresa suggested each board member use their social media accounts to spread the word. Theresa is scheduled to speak to community organizations. The Aurora Advertiser will be printing an article in the Feb 21st paper.

3. Baldwin Park – 3-D Concert

- a. Receive update concerning July 2014 concert. Approve any recommendations. Theresa informed the board, in order not to compete with area events, the concert has been moved to September 13. Mike Randall informed the board, the organizers are needing 3 phase electric. Empire has given a preliminary estimate of \$80,000 to do the project plus additional costs to complete the project. Bob Moffitt agreed to get with Empire and see how to provide a 3 phase electric most economical. The board will consider this while finishing up the estimate to provide lights for soccer and football at Baldwin. Julie & Ginni said to go onto the website (www.thundergroundfestival.wordpress.com) to "like" the upcoming event. Encourage to share this site as well through your own personal social media.
- b. Discuss appointing a Park Board liaison to the 3-D organization committee. Approve any recommendations. Ginni Swaim is already volunteering with the organization providing the concert. It was recommended to have an additional Park Board member on that committee since there is a lot yet to be done. Julie Browning has already been asked by Rob Frank to be the local spokesperson for the concert. Bob Moffitt made the motion to appoint Julie as the Park Board's liaison for the concert. Clara Childress seconded the motion. All board members present voted in favor with motion passing.

4. Agreements –

- a. Verona Schools – Receive update on proposed agreement. (see attached) Approve any recommendations. This item has been previously discussed. Verona Schools and City Council have approved the agreement. Ray Perry made the motion to approve the Verona Schools baseball/soccer agreement. Jennifer Gautney seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor with motion passing.
- b. Soccer – Review agreements with LCYSA & United Soccer. Review correspondence. Approve any recommendations. The Park Board noted violation in agreement with LCYSA: Section III. item a – A soccer program was organized. However, complaints received of games not starting on time. Section III. item c – Would not allow other soccer organization to utilize the soccer field when that organization had it scheduled.

Section III. item f- Did not communicate with Steve Woods of changes that needed made to the soccer fields. Communicated with other city staff.

Section III. item i. Attached correspondence confirms LCYSA failed to communicate scheduling of games, practices during 2013.

Section III. item j – Requested soccer goals to be move after already set for the season.

Section III. item k- Failed to communicate with Steve Woods soccer fields needed. Only communicated with other city staff after deadline passed.

Jennifer Gautney made a motion to send a letter to LCYSA noting the above violations and to take notice their agreement is now on probation and will only be extended thru May 31, 2014 at this time. Ray Perry seconded the motion. All board members present voted in favor with motion passing. Julie Browning abstained from voting due to association with United Soccer.

5. Park Activity – Theresa Pettit – Receive update and discuss YMCA proposal for youth soccer and flag football in 2014. Approve any recommendations. The success of the youth YMCA basketball program was discussed. Bob Moffitt made a motion to enter into an agreement with the YMCA and City Council for a youth soccer and flag football program for Spring 2014. The anticipated cost from the city's budget is \$3000 which includes both soccer and flag football. Clara Childress seconded the motion,. All members present voted in favor with motion passing. Julie Browning abstained from voting due to her association with the YMCA.

- V. **Adjournment-** Approve recommendations to adjourn Theresa Pettit made the motion to adjourn. Bob Moffitt seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. Meeting ended at 9:10AM.

Submitted by Theresa Pettit, February 16 @ 6:45 PM

Approved  March 10, 2014