

Aurora Park Board Meeting
Aurora Police & Fire Station Community Room
106 S. Elliott
Aurora, MO
January 13, 2014
7 PM
Aurora, MO

I. Call to Order – President Pettit called meeting order at 7:03 pm

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)- absent
Board member:	Clara Childress (2016)- present
Board member:	Jennifer Gautney (2014)-present
Board member:	Dan Jackson - (2014)- present
Board member:	OPEN (2016)-
Councilman:	Steve Ramirez- absent

Others in attendance:

Jennifer Gautney volunteered to take the minutes in absence of Secretary Heidi Ryan.

II. Audience Participation- John Thornton, Cheryl Thornton, and Mitch Forrester.

III.

IV. New Business

1. Park Board Position – Review applications for three (3) term positions for 2016. Approve any recommendations **No new applicants**

President Pettit recommended to move item #4 to next order of business.

2. Park Board Officers – Review minutes dated June 20, 2013 regarding no record of who seconded Julie Browning as Vice President. Approve recommendations of appointing position as vice – president of Park Board.

Bob Moffitt made to motion to approve Julie Browning as Park Board Vice President. Seconded by Theresa Pettit. All board members present voted in favor with motion passing.

3. Community foundation of the Ozarks- Receive report of using their services to inform the Aurora Community of the Park Board's wish list. Approve any recommendations.

President Pettit made the motion to take \$1 from Park Board fund to put up some wish list items on Cause Momentum website. (www.causementum.org) This is part of Community Foundation of the Ozarks. (C.F.O.) in order to purchase splash pad items in the following order: Lady Bug \$1150, Bumble Bee \$1150 and Sea Turtle \$2500. Seconded by Jennifer Gautney. All board members voted in favor with motions passing. The 45 day challenge will begin Feb 1, 2014.

4. Babe Ruth- John Thornton- Receive request and suggestions from representative of Babe Ruth. Approve any recommendations which may include a user agreement.

There is a possible of 12 towns represented in the 2014 Babe Ruth season that want to play in Aurora. Some small towns are combing for a team. Julie Browning made motion to approve a user agreement with Babe Ruth as read at the meeting. Seconded by Dan Jackson. All members present voted in favor with motion passing. See attached proposed agreement for approval with the City of Aurora.

Theresa Pettit made the Approve improvements to back stop by placing three (3) 12x2 from dug out to dugout. Bob Moffitt is to serve as Park Board liaison for this project. Julie Browning seconded. All board members present voted in favor with motion passing.

5. By-Laws- Review bylaw. Approve any recommendations including regular meeting time/day for board meetings.

Please let minutes reflect there are multiple conflicts while trying to select a new meeting date or time. Jennifer Gautney made the motion to note change our monthly meeting date or time. Seconded by Julie Browning. All members present voted in favor with motion passing.

IV. Approval of Minutes of the December 16, 2013- Review minutes and approve any recommendations.

Theresa Pettit made the motion to approve the minutes as amended. Clara Childress seconded the motion.

V. Old Business

1. Committee Reports

a. Tennis -Ray Perry – Receive update regarding the tennis grant and approve any recommendations

No updates at this time

- b. White Park Master Plan- Review Master Plan of White Park. Approve any recommendations. Insert correspondence no engineer needed.

Bob Moffitt made the motion to approve the proposed placement of three benches and four lights along the walking trail as noted on the attachment. Seconded by Julie Browning. All board members voted in favor with motion passing. Theresa will speak to Empire about burying electric lines in White Park.

- c. Playgrounds – Theresa Pettit – Provide update on improvements in all playgrounds. Approve any recommendations.

No updates at this time

- d. Walking Trails – Jennifer Gautney – Receive report and approve any recommendations.

Jennifer Gautney advised new committee member James Pettit was approved. Phase I and Phase II are planned to connect Jr High and Pate. Members will be organizing a booth at Business Fair.

2. Survey – Jennifer Gautney

- a. Review survey results. Approve any recommendations.

147 survey's were completed. Jennifer reported that majority of concerns by community are items under discussion. Need to make community aware of trail projected start date. Recommended the lowed bidder Supermoon Graphics to make 3 temporary signs for White Park. Bid was \$300. Motion made by Bob Moffitt to approve signs seconded by Dan Jackson.

3. Park Funding-

- a. 2013 Financials -Betty Baun-

1. Review presented expenditures and fund balances. Approve any recommendations. Attachments will be provided

Julie Browning made the motion to approve expenditures as presented by. Seconded by Jennifer Gautney. All members present voted in favor with motion passing.

2. Discuss fund balances. Approve any recommendations including allocations of funds in reserve.

Tabled to next meeting after further review of survey results.

3. CFO-fund raising – 30 day challenge to see what improvements the community can commit to?
Topic on above agenda item.
4. Mighty Mites – Theresa Pettit / Jennifer Gautney
 - a. Receive update of cost of lighting project for the Mighty Might Program. Approve any recommendations.
No updates at this time. Waiting on pricing and possibility of Empire electric donation.
 - b. Receive update of funding of lighting project. Approve any recommendations. No updates at this time. Waiting on pricing and possibility of Empire electric donation
5. Power Point presentation – Julie Browning
 - a. Review revised power point to be presented to the community to market Park’s projects. Approve any recommendations.
Julie Browning presented Power Point revisions. Motion made by Clara Childress to approve Power Point with updated photos. Theresa Pettit seconded motion. All board members voted in favor with motion passing.
 - b. Discuss where to present approved Power Point. Approve any recommendations.
Chamber Banquet, Business Expo with Trails Committee, Heritage Harmony House, Rotary.
 - c. Discuss who to present Power Point. Approve any recommendations.
Clara Childress volunteered to assist.
6. Baldwin Park Activity – Receive update concerning Concert in Baldwin Park in July 2014. Approve any recommendations
No updates at this time
7. Park Activity – Theresa Pettit / Julie Browning
 - a. Receive update of request submitted to City Council to fund \$7500 for youth basketball, adult basketball and softball for 2014.
No updates at this time
 - b. Review YMCA proposal to provide adult softball and adult basketball for 2014. Approve any recommendations.
No updates at this time

c. Aurora High School agreement renewals

Julie Browning made the motion to approve renewal of Aurora High School agreement as presented. Seconded by Dan Jackson. All board members present voted in favor with motion passing.

8. Verona Schools – Receive update agreement on request of Verona Schools to use the ball fields in White Park for their sports programs. Approve any recommendations.

Motion by Theresa Pettit to table until after confirmation of agreement from Verona. Seconded by Bob Moffitt. All board members voted in favor with motion passing.

9. Grant Update –
 - a. Trails - Deadline for March. Given to King. Awaiting Trails guidance. The board is awaiting further direction from King Coltran.
 - b. CFO – will award at Chamber banquet. Three board members will be attending. The power point will be presented.

10. Chamber of Commerce Banquet.- Who can go on Jan 25. Clara Childress, Julie Browning and Theresa Pettit will attend. The power point will be presented.

11. Correspondence – Attached letters were reviewed from and to the Dyer family.

VI. Adjournment- Approve recommendations to adjourn

Bob Moffitt made the motion to adjourn meeting at 9:04pm. Seconded by Julie Browning.

Approved by  _____ March 20, 2014