

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Doug Vanbecelare

Stephanie Ristau Jerry Waltrip

STAFF PRESENT: Kim Vogel, Director of Parks and Recreation

Toby Book, Parks Superintendent

Sara Vacca, Recreation Superintendent Angelo Fears, Operations Manager

The Pittsburg Parks & Recreation Advisory Board met on Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 1:00pm at Lincoln Center. Doug called the meeting to order at 12:59pm; Stephanie motioned and Jerry seconded.

Old Business

A. Dog Park Update

Toby tells the board that this project is on schedule. We will start pouring concrete soon and putting out post for the fencing.

B. Everybody Plays Update

Kim discussed the Everybody Plays updates. There isn't much to report, we are working with C-Tech on the Butterfly Garden Masonry Project. There has been a few people that have come in and purchased bricks.

C. Staffing and Staff Training

Sara briefly discusses staff updates. Ballfield Concession staff has started, had a training on a Friday night. They did a very good job during the first tournament. We are in the process of hiring for the Aquatic Center. We really need staff for Kiddieland. If you know of anyone that can work Kiddieland send them our way.

D. Skate Park Task Force Updates

Kim tells the board that there has not been much of any meetings. We are still looking to have a summer competition. The plan is to work with nearby cities for the competition, we are going to reach out to Joplin and Fort Scott. The Task force will also set up a demo during OK Kids Day at Lakeside Park.

E. Lakeside Park Improvements

Toby tells the board that this project is also on schedule. We are waiting on consecutive 40 degrees days to pour the surfacing to complete the playground. We still have to do some concrete work around the fishing dock.

New Business

A. Land and Water Conservation Fund

Kim informs the board that she will try to get a Land and Water Conservation Grant to help fund two new bathroom and concession facilities. The facilities that we have now were funded by the Land and Water Conservation Fund when they were built.

B. 2018 Rural Healthy Out-of-School Grant

Kim states to the board, that we received the \$35,000 grant. Thanks to the help of Brad Stroud, Matt O'Malley, Sara and Angelo. I will have to do a Virtual Training on the 26th of April and attend a training in Wichita on May 1st and 2nd. I will learn more information about the grant at that time.

C. Filling the Aquatic Center 4/30

Sara tells the board the plan is to still fill the pool at this time.

D. Kiddie Land Grand Opening 5/4

Kim explains to the board that this is still in the planning stages. Hopefully the train will be done in time for the grand opening.

I. Comments from the Board

None

With no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 1:40pm. Doug motioned to adjourn the meeting, Stephanie seconded.

Respectfully Submitted, Angelo Fears