

MINUTES

On August 11, 2015, the Parks and Recreation Board met at 1:30 p.m. in City Hall at 509 SE. 7th Avenue, Room 306 for a Regular Meeting.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Ms. Renee McCown	No	38	23
Mr. Rob Chafin	Yes	25	21
Mr. David Hudson	Yes	25	21
Mr. Terry Easterling	Yes	19	15
Mr. George DeCoux	Yes	9	7

Also in attendance were:

<u>ROD TWEET</u>	DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION
<u>ANDY TARKINGTON</u>	ATHLETIC SUPERVISOR
<u>KEVIN WILDE</u>	ASSISTANT PARK SUPERINTENDENT
<u>SHERYLENE MORRIS</u>	RECORDING SECRETARY

ITEM 1: Call to Order and Approval of Minutes from Meeting held July 14, 2015. Chairman, Mr. Rob Chafin, established a quorum and called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board to order at 1:30 p.m. Motion was made by Mr. Terry Easterling, seconded by Mr. George DeCoux and unanimously carried to approve such minutes as written.

ITEM 2: Presentation and Discussion of the Monthly Reports for the Parks and Recreation Department. Rod Tweet, Director of Parks and Recreation, stated that as of July 15th, Daniel Bradley submitted his Park Board resignation. With the term expiration for Jackie Payne, this will bring the Park Board members from seven board members to five which is the desired level of City Council as adopted with their recent changes of city boards and commissions. The Mayor's Half Marathon has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts with the Amarillo Police Department and their committed obligations to the Tri-State Fair Parade held on Saturday, September 19th. Rod Tweet also announced the retirement of Pam Cognasi, Recreation Supervisor, who has been a dedicated employee with the Parks and Recreation Department for 28 years. Copy of the report is attached.

Kevin Wilde, Assistant Park Superintendent, reported on Park Maintenance repairs and improvements throughout the parks as well as zoo activities and revenues for the month of July. Copy of the report is attached.

Rod Tweet stated that the Summer Recreation Program is winding down for the summer with the exception of the summer lunch program offering free lunches for the kids until August 21st. City pools will be closing with Thompson Pool closing on August 9th, Southeast closing on the 16th and Southwest closing on the 23rd. Starlight Theater's last free concert in the park will be August 18th. Copy of the report is attached.

Andy Tarkington, Athletic Supervisor, reported on all volleyball and softball activities, and information on the Sports Associations activities. Copy of the report is attached.

ITEM 3: Presentation and Discussion on the Park Tree Management System. Kevin Wilde, Assistant Park Superintendent, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Parks and Recreation Tree Management System. This system was implemented by ArborPro Systems in 2008 with the current tree inventory at 15,743 in our park system. This system helps to keep up with the tree count, park benches, shelters, trash cans, etc.

ITEM 4: Presentation and Discussion on the Proposed 2015-2016 Park and Recreation Division Budget. Rod Tweet presented a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed 2015-2016 Park and Recreation Division Budget that included the operating and capital improvement projects. Copy of this presentation is on file in the Parks and Recreation Department.

ITEM 5: Park Board Tour Discussion. The Annual Park Tour will consist of touring current Park and Recreation Division projects throughout the community as well as potential future projects. The Park Tour is scheduled for September 8th at 9:00 a.m. with a brief Park Board meeting at 8:30 a.m. All Park Board and City Councilmember's are invited to attend.

ITEM 6: Public Comments. No comments from public.

ITEM 7: Next Meeting Date. September 8, 2015 8:30 a.m.

ITEM 8: Adjournment. There, being no further business, Rob Chafin moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Terry Easterling and seconded by Mr. George DeCoux. The meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the City Parks and Recreation Department.


Rob Chafin, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sherylene Morris, Board Secretary