March Park Board Minutes



Thursday, March 12, 2021, 6:00pm Municipal Building Waynesville, Missouri 65583

ROLL CALL: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Militti at 6:00 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jeff Militti, Amanda Koren, Bonnie Wilson, Joe Motte, Kevin Curtis, Smith Cade, and Councilman Michael Curtis.

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: David Carpenter

PARK BOARD SUPPORT: Erin Ruiz, Katie Olmstead

INTRODUCTION OF VISITOR AND GUEST: Ronni Jeter

PULASKI COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS REPORT: Master Gardener fundraiser will be held 15 MAY at the Farmers Market, the booth will be next to the demo garden. Should start seeing people working in the demo garden soon to prepare for spring opening.

SPORTS PROGRAM WAYNESVILLE/ST ROBERT REPORT: Erin reported spring practice began 22 February after a rough start with the weather. There are currently 248 participants this season for a total of 21 teams. Lebanon has joined us again bringing in a U17 team. Games will start 20 March. Summer registration is open and will close 16 April, coaches are always needed and the summer program will consist of t-ball, baseball and softball. Erin introduced a special visitor, Elliot Wilburn who runs the baseball program for the City of Lebanon and is joining us to open up teams to play against. Current fundraiser is "Egg My Yard" where they will place eggs in your yard the night before Easter. Three luck winners will receive a free registration voucher for any sport. Contact Erin by 31 March to get your yard egged. Sponsor letters have been mailed out, if you would like to sponsor a team contact Erin!

<u>APPROVAL OF LAST MONTHS MEETING:</u> Chairman Militti called for a motion to accept the January board meeting minutes as written. Motion was made by Bonnie Wilson and seconded by Smith Cade. Motion passed and minutes were approved.

PARK SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

PARK UPDATE AND CONCERNS:

Roubidoux Park – No issues.

Laughlin Park (**Mr. Cade**) – Need to power spray the tables and benches along the path. The bathroom doors are not functioning and will not close because they are rusted. We need to place a sign letting people know and to also look at getting them replaced.

R.V. Park (**Mr. Carpenter**) – The ground fault receptacle/pedestal has not been fixed. Mr. Michael France came into the meeting and said that he would get with utilities and have them remove the receptacle. He also requested that we look into possible incentives for those RVers that are displaced due to flooding. There was a discussion about the tent sites and having electrical and water at those spots, we informed Mr. France that we had already approved those a few years back and that they were in the pipeline to happen.

Glen Haven Park (Mr. Curtis, K.) – No issues.

Tiger Park (Ms. Wilson) – There is a bench that is laying on its side, just wondering if it needs to be removed or installed.

Summit Park (Mr. Motte) – No issues.

NEW BUSINESS: Local citizen, Ronni Jeter, presented a mural idea on the old pump station in Roubidoux Park to help deter graffiti. Ms. Jeter, along with park board member, Bonnie Wilson, would be doing the artwork and is requesting that we cover the paints at an approximate cost of \$350.00. Amanda Koren made the motion to move forward with the project and for the city to consider covering the cost of the paints out of our park funding, Kevin Curtis seconded the motion, no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously. The project would be completed in May/June over several weekends. Amanda Koren has a photo of the proposed artwork, if anyone is interested in viewing.

Amanda Koren read a message from a concerned citizen in reference to the stage height and no safety railing. Councilman Michael Curtis said this was discussed at the time the stage was installed, but there doesn't seem to be a way to install anything without limiting citizen access, which is not something we would like to do. The park board is tabling this discussion for next month so we can brainstorm ideas and look what other cities offer. Chairman Militti will also be discussing with the city signage to be placed around the stage.

FINAL COMMENTS: Chairman Militti restated that masks are not mandatory in city hall.

EVENT CALENDAR: No events.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:45PM. The next scheduled board meeting is Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 6PM at Waynesville City Municipal Building.