

June 2023 Park Board Meeting Minutes



Thursday, June 8, 2023, 5:00pm
Municipal Building
100 Tremont Drive Waynesville, Missouri 65583

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Militti at 5:05pm.

Board Members Present: Chairman Jeff Militti, David Carpenter, Rachel Watson, Dave Neeley.

Board Members Absent: Rena Brown, Lynn Morgan.

Park Board Support: Admin assistant to the city Clerk, Jen Worth.

Approval of Previous Month's Minutes: **Motion:** Dave Neeley **Second:** David Carpenter

Election of Park Board Chairman: Rachel Watson was nominated and voted for unanimously by all present board members to be the new Park Board Chairman. Dave Neeley was assigned Park Board Vice Chairman, an unofficial position.

Board Member Park assignments: Park Board members will be assigned a new park each year while serving on the board to broaden perspective and familiarity with the Waynesville Parks. The new assignments are as follows:

- Roubidoux: Dave Neeley
- Laughlin: David carpenter
- RV: Lynn Morgan
- Summit: Rena Brown
- Tiger: David Carpenter (Temporary until open seat filled)
- Glen Haven: Dave Neeley (Temporary until open seat filled)

Introduction and Comments of Visitors and Guests: Citizen Pablo Cuevas with Pulaski County Sports Association is asking the Park Board to consider upgrading the current basketball court located in Roubidoux Park. He states that he is a local who grew up in the area and has not seen upgrades in quite some time and has been using the court for many years. He states that the association he represents

would like to host basketball games and/or tournaments but the current size and condition would not facilitate that. A few suggested upgrades are purchasing new goals, upgrading pavement, adding fencing, and adding an additional court. The Pulaski County Sports Association is willing to fundraise to help offset the cost of these suggested upgrades and additions.

After Action-Kids 2 Park Day: This event was a great success with some highlights of the day noted as: Number and variety of vendors and offerings was great, scheduled hourly showcases kept visitors engaged, prize giveaways via drawings were a big hit and kept people to the end of the event.

Chairman Rachel Watson stated that in future years the Waynesville Park Board will be responsible for coordinating and executing the annual Kids 2 Park event locally.

Public Announcement of Sound System Upgrade: Admin Assistant Jen Worth presented the city's plans for purchasing a new sound system set up as the current system is dated and of poor quality. The new system will include wireless microphone and speakers on the back side of the stage building in Roubidoux Park to answer citizen complaints that bands, music, and speakers cannot be heard behind the stage area of the park.

Proposed Ordinances: Admin Assistant Jen Worth presented two new proposed city ordinances.

- Park Board Term limits (See ordinance): **Move to agree:** Rachel Watson, **2nd:** Dave Neeley
- Dog leash areas (See ordinance): **Move to agree:** David Carpenter, **2nd:** Dave Neeley

Pulaski County Master Gardeners (Rachel Watson): Presented chapter updates including Demo Garden upgrades and improvements and recent/future events and classes.

Park Superintendent (Trev Harrigan): Not present.

Old Business:

-The totem pole repainting and mending project (from April 2023 Meeting) in Roubidoux Park needs to be presented to City Administrator for consideration.

-Rena Brown will be getting quotes for approval from the Waynesville Career Center for new Roubidoux Park pavilion signs. Names on the signs will be Don Clark, Luge Hardman, Lawrence Beamer, and a replacement for the Conservation pavilion.

New Business:

-There are two Park Board vacancies to be filled.

Final Comments:

-Dave Neeley shared the outcome of a 3x3 soccer tournament (Hosted by a tournament company) in the Roubidoux Park recently as being a very successful event with teams participating from multiple surrounding states and the intent is for this to become an annual event.

Upcoming Events:

June 9- Manna Church, Movie Night in the Park.

June 19- Juneteenth Celebration.

June 24, 25- Cave State Cruisers event.

June 30- Next Home Team Ellis, Customer appreciation movie night at the stage.

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 5:00pm at the Waynesville City Municipal Building.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rachel Watson at 6:04pm.