

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 7, 2020

Heather Carmona, Vice-Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at 851 S. Eton.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Heather Carmona, Pam Graham, John Meehan, Dominick Pulis, John Rusche and Bill Wiebrecht

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ross Kaplan

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: John Butcher, Seaholm High School

ADMINISTRATION: Lauren A. Wood, Director of Public Services
Carrie A. Laird, Parks and Recreation Manager

GUESTS: Charli Pulis, Sam Pulis, Cindy Rose, Kyle Sayers, Marisa Sayers, Shawn Sayers and **David Young**

It was moved by John Meehan, seconded by John Rusche to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2020 regular meeting as amended.

Yeas – 6 Heather Carmona, Pam Graham, John Meehan, Dominick Pulis, John Rusche and Bill Wiebrecht

Nays – 0

Absent-1 Ross Kaplan

Heather introduced Kyle Sayers, Eagle Scout Troop 1032 and as part of his Eagle Scout project initiated the installation of several bird houses along the Rouge trail and Quarton. Kyle stated he has one bird house along Quarton Lake and four along the Rouge trail.

Heather presented a plaque to Kyle Sayers in recognition of the installation of the bird houses along Quarton Lake and along the Rouge trail.

AGENDA ITEM #1 Nomination of 2020 Parks and Recreation Board Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson

John Meehan nominated Heather Carmona as Chairperson; Heather accepted the nomination.

Yeas – 6 Heather Carmona, Pam Graham, John Meehan, Dominick Pulis, John Rusche and Bill Wiebrecht

Nays – 0

Absent-1 Ross Kaplan

Bill Wiebrecht nominated John Rusche as Vice-Chairperson; John Rusche accepted the nomination.

Yeas – 1

Bill Wiebrecht

Nays – 5

Heather Carmona, Pam Graham, John Meehan,
Dominick Pulis and John Rusche

Absent-1

Ross Kaplan

Heather Carmona nominated Dominick Pulis as Vice-Chairperson; Dominick accepted the nomination.

Yeas – 5

Heather Carmona, Pam Graham, John Meehan,
Dominick Pulis, John Rusche

Nays – 1

Bill Wiebrecht

Absent-1

Ross Kaplan

Pam Graham asked John Rusche how long he has been on the Parks and Recreation Board. John stated that he had been a Parks and Recreation Board alternate July, 2017 and a permanent member starting September, 2018.

John Meehan asked Dominick Pulis how long he had been on the Parks and Recreation Board. Dominick stated January, 2012 until May, 2014 before he exited for an overseas employment assignment. Dominick then came back as an alternate then came back as a full-time member, so cumulative three years approximately.

COMMUNICATION/DISCUSSION ITEM #1: Long Range Planning Session – Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 8:30 am Municipal Building

Lauren stated the Long Range Planning Session Agenda will be forward to the Parks and Recreation Board once it becomes available.

Lauren stated the items will include Ice Arena analysis, review of the park improvement funding, which will be from the Parks and Recreation Board final recommendation for the Parks and Recreation Bond Priority list.

No Action was taken by the Parks and Recreation Board

COMMUNICATION/DISCUSSION ITEM #2: Project Updates (verbal)

Carrie stated the remaining outstanding work at the new Kenning Park fields will take place in spring, 2020 except for the scoreboard installation and electrical connection that work occurring during the winter months. However, the sod installation will be first on the list in the spring and the sod farm is aware.

Carrie stated at St. James Park over the holidays there was a water main break, west of the playground. The City's street, sewer and water department will be cleaning up the area with a more detailed clean-up occurring in the spring.

Carrie stated the outdoor Barnum Ice Arena has not been installed because of the warm weather. The ice arena boards are installed but still waiting for consistent 32° or below temperatures before the water is installed.

Carrie is receiving quotes for masonry repairs to Barnum arch which will be upcoming.

No Action was taken by the Parks and Recreation Board

COMMUNICATION/DISCUSSION ITEM #3a: Golf Course Investment Income Follow-Up from 12/3/2019 Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Lauren presented a response from the finance department to the question that was asked at the December Parks and Recreation Board meeting regarding the investment income.

No Action was taken by the Parks and Recreation Board

COMMUNICATION/DISCUSSION ITEM #3b: 2019 Golf Course Golf Membership Follow-Up from 12/3/2019 Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Lauren presented a response from Jacky Brito to the question that was asked regarding the 2019 resident memberships.

No Action was taken by the Parks and Recreation Board

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bill Wiebrecht asked that the Parks and Recreation Board have an opportunity to tour the Birmingham Ice Sports Arena for the February Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

Dominick asked when the Parks Rules and Regulations will be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

No items presented

Heather Carmona stated the next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 6:30 pm at DPS.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm
Connie J. Folk, Recreation Coordinator

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