

Bryant Parks Committee Minutes

February 10,2020

6:00 p.m. Parks Admin Building

Call Mtg to Order

Amanda Jolly called the meeting to order

In attendance

BJ May, Amanda Jolly, Andrea Hooten, Renee Curtis, Richard McKeown, Joyce Boswell, Jay Lasey

Comments from the Public

Announcements

Jay Lacey announced he is moving to Little Rock.

Richard welcome new members and thanked Jay for his work on the committee.

Approval of Minutes

Richard motion, Renee 2nd

Directors Report

Registration for summer programing at B&G club starts March 2nd. They expect over 800 kids.

Amanda Jolly asked about Parks liaison from council.

Finance Report

Treat noted the addition of payroll and overtime as requested by Jay. Treat pointed out the payroll is divided between 400 and 430.

Andrea asked about the revenue numbers not equaling the expenses. Treat went over the three sources of renew for the Dept. Designated tax, Parks revenue, and tax from the general fund. Andrea requested the revenue from the general fund be reported on the report.

BJ asked a question about the \$35,000 council designated from A&P money for festival electrical work for the new pavilion. Treat gave information about the location of the pavilion and electrical work.

Richard noticed a mistake in expense line. Treat corrected the report to reflect 1455.57 in the Midland expense line.

Alcohol Permits

Amada moved, Renee 2nd to approve alcohol sells at the RJ Hawk for state rep watch party.

Old Business

Andrea updated the committee on the history of the parks signs. Andrea has talked to Rob and he mentioned the city might hire a firm to rebrand the city. Amanda asked why can't we have the parks logo on parks signs. The committee discussed the best way to make sure we are communicating well with council and the best way to move forward. The decision was made for the sign subcommittee to meet with the parks liaison RJ Hawk.

New Business

Treat reported Springhill playground failed testing.

Jay Motion made to close the park until brought up to standard or dangerous equipment removed. 2nd BJ May. The committee asked that the department to communicate with the neighborhood why it is being closed and have a plan for next phase of the park.

Treat will work on the plan for the park and report back to the committee.

NSA request for waive of rental fee. Committee doesn't recommend giving the NSA the space based on the Facebook invite of the event they need the space starting at 10 am and the space isn't available during those hours.

Amanda motion Richard 2nd to approve all B&G Club requests.

Miscellaneous

Amanda Jolly read an email from Lee Wood Thomas requesting picnic tables and as swing at Debswood Park. Jay Lacy pointed out the priority of Springhill at this point. Treat recommended the Dept will provide picnic tables for Debswood Park in 2020.

Jay Lacey suggests another drive around the parks system for the committee in April.

Joyce brought up the use of Plumb park for tree planting.

Adjourn

Joyce motion, Andrea 2nd