

**Bryant City Council  
Special Meeting**  
August 23rd, 2016  
Boswell Municipal Complex - City Hall Courtroom

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- *Public Comments should be limited the three (3) minutes per speaker*

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Parks Department**

*Chris Treat Parks Director Presenting*

1. Resolution to obtain the funds necessary to develop and/or improve recreation facilities and to seek grant funding assistance.

Documents:

[MillsParkGrantResolution.docx.pdf](#)

**MAYOR COMMENTS**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-\_\_\_**

WHEREAS, Bryant, Arkansas seeks to improve the recreation facilities and wishes to seek grant funding assistance; and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain the funds necessary to develop and/or improve the site for such a recreation area, it is necessary to obtain a 50/50 Matching Grant from the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism's Outdoor Recreation Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the plans for such recreation areas have been prepared and the price therefore has been established; and

WHEREAS, this governing body understands the grantee and grantor will enter into a binding agreement which obligates both parties to policies and procedures contained in the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grants Manual including, but not limited to the following; the park area defined by the project boundary map, submitted in the application, must remain an outdoor recreation use in perpetuity, regardless if the property is bought or developed with matching grant funds and; all present and future overhead utility lines within the project boundary must be routed away or placed underground and; the project area must remain open and available for use by the public at all reasonable times of the day and year; facilities can be reserved for special events, league play, etc. but cannot be reserved, leased or assigned for exclusive use, and; the project area must be kept clean, maintained, and operated in a safe and healthful manner.

City Council is well aware and apprised of the above-mentioned project, and will provide the local portion of the development cost of the entire project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Bryant, Arkansas that the Mayor is hereby authorized to make application to the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism for assistance to develop recreational facilities in Mills Park located at 1003 Mills Park Road for the City; therefore such application shall be submitted as expediently as possible.

Overall the project is estimated to cost \$786,500. The State Parks will provide a maximum match of \$250,000, the City will provide \$300,000 (\$250,000 to match the State and an additional

\$50,000 both amounts to come from the 2016 Bond Money, a General Ledger Account for this can not be listed here yet because the Funds have not been set up. The General Ledger Funds and Accounts for the Bond Money will be set up later in the 2016 year.) and Friends For Inclusive Parks is expected to provide \$236,500, totaling \$786,500. If the money is not raised by the Friends of Inclusive Parks then only the \$550,000 will be spent by the City. This Resolution, if the Grant is awarded, acts as authorization for this expenditure and is an obligation of those matching funds for Budgetary Purposes.

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Jill Dabbs, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Sue Ashcraft, City Clerk