

Bryant Parks Committee Meeting
December 10, 2024 - 6:00 PM
Bishop Park Administration Building
6401 Boone Rd. Bryant, Arkansas

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Call to Order - Amanda Jolly at 6:00 PM

Committee Members Present - Amanda Jolly, Jennifer Benning, Drew Martin, Chera Moore
Jason Whittington

Others Present - Parks Director Keith Cox, Parks Assistant Director Matt Martin,
Communications Coordinator Jordan Reynolds, IT Support Technician Philip Plouch and City
Councilman Jack Mosely.

Approval of Minutes

1. November 12 Parks Committee Meeting

Motion to approve by Moore, seconded by Benning. Motion carried.

Associations/Club Reports

There were no Association/Club Reports

Director's Report

2. Parks November Summary

Cox presents the summary of actions and activities from November, highlighting that heaters are being installed in the restrooms at the sports complexes at Bishop and Midland parks. Moving forward those restrooms will be heated rather than winterizing and closing during freezing temperatures. The restrooms will still be closed at times when the complexes are closed but if activities are taking place on the fields then the bathrooms will be opened. He also updates the Committee on the status of the lap pool heater, which has been out now for almost 2 months. We are still waiting on the new pool heater; the pool will remain open but the water temperature is going to be colder than normal.

Cox then gives an update on capital projects, including the pool dehumidifier replacement, scheduled for next Summer, and grant updates. We did not receive the grant for parking lot lighting at Bishop but we did receive a grant for a trail from Debswood Park to Evans Loop and we are also applying for another grant to help with cost overrun on the Mills to Alcoa Connector Trail and to overlay the current Mills Park Trail. Cox also updates the Committee that we are partnering with Public Works to complete a project at Midland Park to expand parking as well as developing another practice area.

Cox turns it over to Reynolds to make an announcement giving information regarding Christmas in the Park taking place Saturday, September 14.

Public Comments

There were no Public Comments

Old Business

There was no Old Business

New Business

3. Bryant Youth Association - 2025 Program Agreement

Annual Joint Use Agreement with Bryant Youth Association for use of space in Bishop Park Community Center for after school and summer care and youth programming.

4. Bryant Senior Adult Center - 2025 Program Agreement

Annual Joint Use Agreement with Bryant Senior Adult Center for use of space in Bishop Park Community Center for senior adult programming.

5. Bryant Historical Society - 2025 Program Agreement

Annual Joint Use Agreement with Bryant Historical Society for use of the building located at 200 SW 3rd St. for the purpose of a historical museum.

Motion to approve all three agreements by Martin, seconded by Whittington. Motion passes.

Committee Comments

There were no Committee Comments

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Moore, seconded by Benning. Motion carried.