

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Thursday, June 15, 2017, 5 p.m.
Parks Management Center, 1507 Business Loop 70 W.

MINUTES

Commission Present: Marin Blevins, Sue Davis, Dan Devine, Linda Hutton, Meredith Donaldson, Ted Farnen, Chad Henry

Commission Absent (excused): None.

Staff Present: Mike Griggs, Erika Coffman, Gabe Huffington, Tammy Miller

Call to order: Blevins called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

Agenda: The agenda was approved on a motion by Devine, seconded by Hutton. Motion passed, 7-0.

Minutes: The May minutes were approved on a motion by Devine, seconded by Henry. Motion passed, 7-0.

Monthly Report: There is no monthly report this month, Griggs told the Commission. He said it would be presented at the July meeting along with the report from June.

Election of Officers

Blevins opened the floor for nominations for the position of Chair. Farnen made a motion to nominate Blevins for another term as chair. Donaldson seconded the motion. No other nominations were made. Blevins was elected chair, 7-0.

Blevins then opened the floor for nominations for the position of Vice Chair. Henry made a motion to nominate Farnen as vice-chair. Devine seconded the motion. No other nominations were made. Farnen was elected vice-chair, 7-0.

Blevins opened the floor for nominations for the position of Secretary. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Hutton that Miller be reappointed Secretary. Motion passed 7-0.

Centerstate Property Acquisition

Griggs shared a map of the property, which is a 10-acre tract. Huffington said it would be a mixture of green space and active use. The price of the property is \$200,000. The developer would construct the walking trail on the property which is estimated to cost about \$150,000. Development of this park might be included on the list of projects for the 2021 Park Sales Tax, unless another funding opportunity is identified before then. Hutton asked about proximity to Whitegate?

Griggs said it is not ideal for Whitegate, but it would have access to other residences in that area.

Donaldson asked about the lake and stormwater mitigation?

Huffington said stocking the lake would be our responsibility and mitigation would be done by the developer.

Devine asked if the road on the map would be extended?

Griggs said there were no plans for it.

Griggs added that this development would be presented to the Council at the same time of the property acquisition for possible approval.

Hutton made a motion, seconded by Devine, that the Commission recommend approval to City Council of acquisition of the Centerstate property. Motion passed 7-0.

Staff Comments

Huffington told the Commission that Council had approved the Cosmo Park LED lighting project. Miller asked the Commission to let her know if they'd like VIP passes for Fire in the Sky.

Commission Comments

Devine mentioned that he had recently visited Albert-Oakland Aquatic Center and mentioned a seam in the concrete along the pool, causing some people to trip. He asked staff to take a look at it.

Public Comments

None.

Next Meeting Date

July 20, 7 pm, at the ARC.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm for the annual Park Tour. Parks on the tour included Parks Management Center, Douglass Park, Albert-Oakland Park, Atkins Sports Complex, Norma Sutherland Smith Park, McKee Street Park, American Legion Park, Waters House at Waters-Moss, Nifong Park and Gans Creek Recreation Area.