



ADVISORY BOARD
Meeting Minutes – June 11th, 2019 - 5:30 p.m.
Leawood City Hall – Maple Room

Board members in attendance: Chair Karen Ward-Reimer, Amy Vlastic, Bob Wright, and JoLynn Hobbs

Board Members absent: Gary Swanson, and Lorrie Hamilton

Council Liaison present: Julie Cain and Chuck Sipple

Staff members present: April Bishop, Chris Claxton, Kim Curran, Brian Anderson, and Camille Sumrall

Chair Karen Ward- Reimer called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

Chair Karen Ward- Reimer made a motion to approve the July 9th, 2019 meeting minutes. Amy moved the motion and bob seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

I. Old Business

A. Update on Bike Kiosk Project at City Park

Brian showed the group three digital renderings of the kiosk design. The designs were created by Vireo, with the Parks Maintenance staff completing the work themselves.

Council Liaison Sipple asked what the approximate cost was.

Brian responded that he will not have an estimated number until he meets with Vireo next week. Fortunately, there are funds available for use in the North Loop bike signage project.

Karen asked if we have any trees in the area that will be affected.

Brian stated that no healthy trees will be affected.

JoLynn asked if there will be a plaque or name for the space.

Brian stated he thought pin lettering may be a good option.

Bob suggested the name of “Loop Landing”.

B. Update on Tennis Court Renovation

Brian informed the committee that there are cracks on the surface of the newly renovated tennis courts. Several cores of the asphalt have been taken to a laboratory to establish if there was anything wrong with the asphalt blend.

Council Liaison Cain asked if we will have to pay from renovations or is it covered under contract.

Brian stated that it is under warranty and we will not have to pay.

JoLynn asked if we used one contractor for the whole project.

Brian stated that yes, we used McConnell Construction.

C. Update on Installation of “Inspiration” Art Piece

Chris informed the committee that we have a contract with Continental Engineering to design the footing of the sculpture that will be taken to council on September 3, 2019. After the contract is approved we will hire a company to install the piece.

Council Liaison Sipple asked if the piece will be installed before Christmas.

Chris responded that she hope so. She added that this will cumulate in a new brochure with all the new art pieces.

Chris added that they are simultaneously working on installing a new art-on-loan piece and relocating “Point Defiance”.

II. New Business

A. Discuss Trail Repair (City Park to College Blvd)

Brian stated that the area of trail when leaving Leawood City Park to under College Street via pedestrian bridge, is very distressed. He is meeting with contractors in the next few weeks to get estimates and will hopefully have a recommendation for City Council in September. He added that people will not be able to exit Leawood City Park on the trail while work is being completed. The work should take approximately a week.

B. Discuss Recommendation by Storm water Committee RE: Gezer Park Drainage

Chris informed the committee that there is an area directly northwest of the park. One resident believes that rain is running off from the park and pooling in their backyard. The storm water committee has met and recommended that we install new storm a drainage system.

Brian added that he has met with resident several times. He stated that the area is very flat and once the ground becomes saturated there is nowhere for the water to go. We will be grading the park property and tying into an additional storm sewer on Mission Road. This will ensure that no city property is contributing to their water issues.

Council Liaison Cain added that it is fortunate we are able to loop this project into the Mission road project.

III. Staff Reports

Kim reported the following:

- First Tee is up and running with the fall session.
- Fall soccer will be starting September 7th.
- Pool is running at reduced summer hours.
- Truckin’ in The Park is August 24th with 2 Proud 2 Beg providing live music.
- Doggie Dunk will be taking place September 3rd at the Leawood Aquatic Center.

April reported the following:

- August Concert Series started last Sunday. Concerts will take place at Ironwoods Park on Sunday evenings until September 2nd.
- Into The Night Fall Festival will take place at Ironwoods Park on October 4th. There will be many fun activities for kids including a petting zoo, train rides and live performances.
- “Fall Into Art” art show will be happening in the Oak Room of Leawood City Hall on
- Gallery Crawl

Brian reported the following:

- Working on new trail signage for trail etiquette. Signs will be larger will help pedestrians in viewing the signs. Johnson County will also be placing signs along their trails as well.

Council Liaison Sipple added that he thought the signs should be larger than 18”x 24” inches.

Chris reported the following:

- Chris shared the most recent Look to Leawood magazine that featured
- She will be attending and moderating a portion of KRPA Women’s Leadership Summit.
- We will have a live reindeer at Breakfast with Santa this year.

IV. Miscellaneous

Bob informed the committee that he has taken a new job that will require him to travel quite frequently. He asked if the Park’s Advisory Board may consider letting members teleconference in to meetings.

JoLynn asked if the City has purchased the home to the south of the 96th and Lee property and if so, are we happy with the extra space to work with for our park.

Chris replied that she would be happy if we did acquire the space but the City’s legal team is still reviewing the agreement and completing title searches to make sure there is nothing prohibitive. We will still need to determine the size of the new Fire Station and to determine if we will keep the old fire station, both will play a large role in the park design.

V. Next scheduled Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held September 10th at 5:30 p.m. in the Maple Room of the Community Center.

Chair Karen Ward Reimer made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Bob moved the motion. JoLynn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Claxton, Parks and Recreation Director