



Discussion Notes | June 3, 2010

7:30 am • Leawood City Hall • 4800 Town Center Drive • Main Conference Room

Members Present: Debra Filla, Julie Cain, Paula Cornwell, Jennifer Hassler, K.O. Strohbahn, and Kevin Jeffries.

Staff Present: Chris Claxton, Brian Anderson, Marica Putman

Members Absent: Camille Croteau, Paul Duffendack, Alicia Jennings, Bob Pierson, and Cindy Thesing.

Guest: None.

MEMBERS

Debra Filla, Chair
Julie Cain, Vice-Chair
Paula Cornwell
Camille Croteau
Paul Duffendack
Alicia Jennings
Jennifer Hassler
Bob Pierson
Cindy Thesing
K.O. Strohbahn

Scott Lambers,
City Administrator

Kevin Jeffries,
Pres. & CEO Leawood
Chamber of Commerce

Chris Claxton,
Director of Parks
& Recreation

Brian Anderson,
Parks Superintendent

Marica Putman,
Adm. Graphics Tech

✚ Welcome and Introductions

- The SAB meeting came to order at 7:43am.

✚ Approval of today's meeting agenda.

- Reviewed agenda.

✚ Approval of the past meeting minutes.

- No quorum. May minutes will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

✚ Recycling – MARC 2010 Recycling Challenge – Chris Claxton

- Leawood is participating with Chris Claxton as the liaison.
- She will contact MARC to inquire their next initiative will be and how they are bringing people together to work on these issues. Their core initiative this year is the government challenges. It is "Taking it to the Streets" improving residential services. Their district objective is to increase resident participation and access to core solid waste services. Encouraging municipalities to select actions to improve solid waste, recycling, yard waste, bulky items, hazardous waste, and clean up day. It is a big resource for a lot of activities such as measuring curbside recycling.
- Brian Anderson will work with Martin Flowers, Sustainability Liaison from the county to implement more recycling opportunities at various park locations. The group discussed recycling at various events, paper recycling at city hall (meeting rooms), ordinance updates concerning school dumpsters, and ripple glass sites.
- Brian Anderson will write an article for the KRPA (Kansas Park and Recreation Association) concerning recycling.

✚ Recycling – Large Item Recirculation – Bob Pierson and Cindy Thesing

- Chris Claxton placed an ad with the Sun (three weeks) and posted on Craigslist and on Kansas City Freecycle websites. Received several calls from residents inquiring when it would be their subdivision's turn. She explained that this was a pilot program and would call them back when a decision was made concerning future large item pick-ups.
- Six trucks, starting at noon, will go through those streets and pick up those items. We will receive load tickets for tracking purposes. Attempts will be made to contact JR and verify this info. Brian Anderson will supervise the pick-up.

Mission Statement: To lead, motivate, and collaborate with Leawood citizens to increase recycling, encourage conservation, and promote 'green' mobility options in the City of Leawood.

Conservation – Stream Team – Jennifer Hassler

- Met three weeks prior. This motivated group represents one for each pond and Dykes Branch. This next meeting will be June 19th and will be the actual training meeting with the test's kit.
- The EPA called Brian Anderson and inquired if they can put a monitor and interpretive sign on the north side of the 119th down by the trail bridge, Tomahawk Creek, that tells why this device is here with their website and see what the data is recording. The group discussed similar monitoring devices at Indian Creek and water conservation/quality techniques that we use at various locations.
- Interesting note: They monitor for certain chemicals in the water. They don't remove them but they check the levels as most do not biodegrade and they just stay and multiple every time they go through the plant because it is too expensive to remove them. The top 5 pharmaceutical agents found in the water are: Caffeine, Ibuprofen, Antibiotics, Viagra, and birth control pills. These pass through our bodies. Every time you drink water, you are ingesting a certain level of these because they don't take them out.

Green Mobility – Bicycle Friendly Community – Alicia Jennings

- Kicked off our Bike to Work/School week at Party in the Park. The attendance was down overall but we had an obstacle course set up by the police. Elite Cycles had demo bikes and helmets were sold.
- Marica Putman made certificates for the kids who participated in the Bike to School or Walk to School event (78 were made. The school that had a lot of participates was Mission Valley (certificates requested by Jill Paton) and not Mission Trail as originally pointed out). Interesting note: The school that participated most commented on the morning congestion was down due to the event and the teachers loved it! They thought it was great. They wanted to do this for a longer period of time or more than once next year. The group discussed several incentives for next year, such as giving away a nice bike or two or even a bike rack. Corinth school participated too.
- We have two bike racks at the pool and ordering one for city hall. You can bring your dog to city hall because we now have a pooch tie-up.
- The adult bicycle education class was cancelled due to a lack of registration.
- Brian Anderson drew up a complete streets policy and met with public works engineering and planning department.

Misc Items – July/August Meetings

- Review calendar.
- We have 9 members when we should have 10. We need a Ward 2 person to be appointed.
- Update your phone/email.

Adjourn

- Meeting adjourns at 9:00 am. The next meeting will be July 9, 2010.