

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

A Special Meeting of the Troy Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held Thursday, April 25, 2019 at the Troy Community Center, room 503.

Steve Toth called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Steve Toth, Laurie Huber, Julia (Judy) Baker, Tim McGee, Janice Zikakis, Kristin Franklin, Mike Brady, Tim Fulcher, Kulin Oak, Elaine Bo, Brian Goul, Dennis Trantham

Absent:

Visitors:

Resolution # PR - 2019 - 04 - 001

Moved by Judy Baker

Seconded by Laurie Huber

RESOLVED, that the minutes of January 10, 2019 are approved.

Yes: 8

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- New Business

- Introduction of Tim Fulcher. Tim is the Director of Athletics, Continuing Education and Enrichment for Troy School District.
- Presentation by Kristin Franklin on Redwood Park.
 1. Kristin got the idea a couple years ago to update the park from the 5 year Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
 2. Redwood Park is a 3 acre park and she would like the City to add a walking path, solar lighting, perennial gardens, and trees.
 3. Suggested paying for the updates with grants, sponsorships, and memorials.
- Discussion on presentation
 1. Pickle ball courts were installed 2 years ago. Baseball diamond is on a first come first serve.
 2. Redwood Park only has 8 parking spots.
 3. Judy discussed Redwood Park hasn't had improvements as it is located in Royal Oak School District.
 4. Tim talked about the Green Space Committee had looked at Redwood Park and it was decided it was low priority to fund due to having limited access in an industrial area and you cannot see it from the street.
 5. Steve requested staff to add Redwood Park as a topic for the next Parks and Recreation 5 year plan.
 6. Dennis gave an approximate figure of \$300,000 to fund the proposed plan. It would be hard to maintain with current park staff.

- Elaine let the board know that the City's budget study sessions have been completed and will be brought to Council May 6th. Budget will include renovation of Firefighter's Park restroom facility.
- South Blvd remnant sold to the Temple next to the property and will be maintaining the old school house. They are hoping to have it renovated by Oakland County's Bicentennial.

Member Comments

- Jan mentioned she had people ask her about the fee of the Dog Park. Elaine explained that our fees are within range of other cities without dedicated funding.
- Tim McGee attended the Senior Expo and said it was unbelievable. There were between 2000-3000 in attendance.
- Steve attended a senior lunch. He came on a day in which they celebrated birthdays and the Tigers opening day so there was not enough seating.
- Mike discussed Troy Trails and how Troy is falling behind other communities by not having a system.
- Tim Fulcher announced that the tennis courts at the middle schools would be removed sometime this summer.
- Steve asked staff to write a letter of appreciation to Kulin as he has been the most active student representative we've had.

Staff Reports

Elaine Bo

- City has selected Bob Bruner as Assistant City Manager.
- Economic Development being moved to Planning.
- City is phasing out the Troy Trolley system and re-directing funds to Medi-go. Medi-go staff will now be City of Troy employees.
- Council has approved spending money on the Pro Shop at Sylvan Glen and new roof on the library.

Dennis Trantham

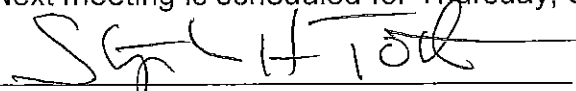
- Staffing is an issue. Currently at 65% for summer laborers.
- DTE will be going across Livernois for power at the Dog Park. The City of Troy Streets Department are starting to alleviate standing water in the dog Park.
- Park restrooms are functional.
- Adding toddler swings at Redwood Park.
- Brinston Park courts are being resurfaced.


Tim McGee made a motion to adjourn.

Mike Brady seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 6:30 pm.


Steve Toth, Chairperson


Shannon Louwaert, Recording Secretary