# Parks and Recreation Advisory Board - Final January 14, 2021 PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

A Meeting of the Troy Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held Thursday, January 14, 2021 virtually on Zoom.

Kristin Franklin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mike Brady, Pam Brady, Kristin Franklin, Tim Fulcher, Casey Colussi, Kelly Martin, Akshitha Sahu, Elaine Bo, Brian Goul, Dennis Trantham, Kurt Bovensiep, and Lori Bluhm.

Absent: Judy Baker, informally resigned week before meeting.

Visitors: There were no visitors.

New Business-

**Election of Chairperson** 

 Kristin Franklin nominated Mike Brady as Chairperson. Mike accepted the nomination.

Resolution # PR - 2021 - 1 - 001 Moved by Kristin Franklin Seconded by Pam Brady

RESOLVED, that Mike Brady is appointed as the Parks and Recreation Chairperson.

Yes: 6 No: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Election of Vice-Chairperson

 Pam Brady nominated Kelly Martin as Vice-Chairperson. Kelly accepted the nomination.

Resolution # PR - 2021 - 1 - 002 Moved by Pam Brady Seconded by Tim Fulcher

RESOLVED, that Kelly Martin is appointed as the Parks and Recreation Vice-Chairperson.

Yes: 6 No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Lori Bluhm, City Attorney presented information on Boards and procedures for Board members.

- Parks and Recreation Board meetings must allow for comments on virtual meetings.
- The Parks and Recreation Board must have total transparency.
- If a meeting is held at Troy Community Center, post a sign Meeting in Progress

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- When communicating within the Board, do not use reply to all, and the Board should not be communicating as a group.
- Suggested using a separate email for Parks and Recreation Board items.
- If a person goes to an individual member outside of the Board Meeting a Board member should recommend the individual go to the Parks and Recreation Board Meeting to ask questions or express concerns.

Approval of Minutes

Resolution # PR - 2021 - 1 - 003

RESOLVED, that the minutes of February 6, 2020 are approved.

Yes: 6 No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2021 Park and Recreation Board Meeting Dates

• Discussion on 2021 meeting dates as follows: February 18, April 15, September 16, and November 18.

Mike Brady made a motion to approve the 2021 Park Board dates, February 18, April 15, September 16, November 18.

Resolution # PR - 2021 - 1 - 004

RESOLVED, that the 2021 Park Board dates are February 18, April 15, September 16 and November 18.

Yes: 6 No: 0

- Review and Approval of Capital Project on North Parking Lot
  - Kurt Bovensiep presented the plan for the North Parking Lot
    - \$500,000 to renovate
    - With the Library being able to open seven days there is a need to move the Farmer's Market which is held June – September from their parking lot.
    - The Farmer's Market will be held at the Community Center Pavilion until the renovations are complete.
    - Renovations to include green space, parking and bridge.
    - Skate park will have slight improvements.
    - The renovation is designed to grow.
  - Kelly Martin asked if it will be available to rent. Kurt said they haven't looked into that option at the time of the meeting.
  - Pam Brady asked if it will be handicap accessible. Kurt showed that the welcome area will be at grade and accessible.

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- Kristin Franklin questioned picnic area permanency and planting of trees. Kurt
  explained that the design was planned to not have the picnic area be
  permanent so that the renovation can grow and develop further at a later date.
  Trees would not be planted right away. The City will see how the area is used
  before planting.
- Casey asked the dimensions. The area is 3.4 acres, 150,000 sq. ft.
- Casey mentioned it would be a great space for an Art Fair and to rent out.
- Tim Fulcher mentioned he likes the design being open, and asked if the bridge is in the plans to be completed initially. Kurt said it is in the scope but has to be permitted so it may take an additional six to nine months.

Resolution # PR - 2021 - 1 - 005 Moved by Pam Brady Seconded by Tim Fulcher

RESOLVED, that the Capital Project to renovate the North Parking Lot be presented to City Council.

Yes: 6 No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

## **Old Business**

• There was no old Business

#### Member Comments

- Kristin Franklin asked why we were not hiring more Parks staff.
- Dennis explained we have tried to hire staff but we have not been able to fill positions.

#### Staff Reports

## Elaine Bo

- Recreation will be printing last Digital Guide and first printed Guide to be mailed will be in March. We were able to save money by going digital during the pandemic.
- Announced her retirement after 29 years on March 5, 2021.

#### Brian Goul

- The Troy Community Center has been open since September. The Fitness Center has been following the guidelines set forth by the State.
- · Group fitness and badminton now allowed.
- Looking at prices to open Troy Family Aquatic Center.

## Dennis Trantham

- Parks Department developed no touch cleaning of the restrooms at the parks.
- Mike Potyuk is the new Park Supervisor.
- New Arborist is Mike Guzynski.

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- New play structure being put in Jaycee Park replacing the southern structure.
- This past year restrooms were renovated.
- Boulan Park tennis courts being repaired.
- Sylvan Glenn trail is now open, and phase three of the trail system is at Jaycee Park.
- Repairs were done at the skatepark.
- The Daisy Knight Dog Park has been heavily used.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

Mike Brady, Chairperson

Shannon Louwaert, Recording Secretary