

Minutes approved by the Park and Recreation Advisory Board

Park and Recreation Advisory Board
MINUTES REGULAR MEETING
October 20, 2011

Pursuant to the notice as required by law, the Park and Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Ponca City Oklahoma convened in open session at 5:30 P.M. on October 20, 2011 in the B. S. Barnes Room, City Hall, 516 E. Grand Ave.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Moore, Rathbun, Wentroth, Wilson, and Young.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cox, Riley, Throop, and Troutman.

OTHERS PRESENT: Beverly Bryant, Ponca City News: Jim Sindelar, Director Park and Recreation; Katie Goss, staff.

1. Call to Order.

Young called the meeting to order.

2. Citizen Comments

None.

3. Consider and vote on the minutes of the August 18, 2011 regular meeting.

The motion was made by Moore and seconded by Wentroth to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2011 meeting as written. Vote was as follows: Yes - Moore, Rathbun, Wentroth, Wilson, and Young. No – None. Abstention – None.

4. Directors Report.

Sindelar reported the following:

Thursday, October 27 the “Pink Heals Tour” will be at the Marland Mansion from 11 am to 2 pm.

The Cancer Awareness banquet is that evening at Northeast Baptist Church.

Mainstreet – “Goblins on Grand” will be Thursday evening, October 27.

Construction of the sidewalk and parking for the new courtesy dock is currently underway.

We have received the plans for the new restroom located at the boat ramp and Ambuc Park.

The splash pad is closed for the season.

A suggestion was made to see if the City would install lights on East Hartford in the low area by the bank. It is hoped this would least light up the area to make the deer more visible to drivers.

Public Hearing – None.

Old Business – None.

New Business

5. Consider and take action regarding advertising signs in Park System.

Rathbun asked if a business were to build a sign for the disc golf area could the business place an advertisement on the sign they had constructed and donated. Sindelar said staff would review the

City sign ordinance and then refer the request to the Park Committee for review and recommendation. Moore commented he would find it hard to be in favor of any proposal to advertise in City parks. Sindelar said the Park Committee would look at all aspects of the request.

6. Consider and take action regarding 2012 Advisory Board Meeting Schedule.
Staff prepared the proposed 2012 Meeting Schedule for the advisory board. The proposed meeting schedule reflects the board meeting on the third Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm. No meeting is scheduled for September 2012 or December 2012. A motion was made by Wentroth and seconded by Moore to accept the 2012 Advisory Board Meeting Schedule as presented. Vote was as follows: Yes - Moore, Rathbun, Wentroth, Wilson, and Young. No – None. Abstention – None.
7. Receive Park Committee Report and take action as needed.
Young presented the following report from the Park Committee, which met October 11, 2011:
 - A. War Memorial Park
The committee received an update about the construction of a new concrete trail section along Highland at War Memorial Park, along with installing new lighting. Also, updated regarding installing new lighting at Pioneer Park and Garfield Park.
 - B. L A Cann Gardens
The committee discussed raising the rental rate to \$300.00 with maximum of 5 hours and limited to 100 people.
 - C. Red Bud Park
Staff is currently gathering estimates for purchase of a new swing, slide and merry-go-round at Red Bud Park. The new equipment will be placed as a group in one area of the park surrounded by the appropriate safety perimeter.
 - D. Dog Park
The committee decided to visit one or two different Dog Parks and talk to officials to find out any problems they have experience. Tom Throop talked to Pam Alexander, the director of the Humane Society. The Board of the Humane Society has also discussed a Dog Park, so Pam has applied for a \$20,000 equipment bond. They would like to join in with us and Connie Parker on the development of a Dog Park.
 - E. Next Meeting
The next Park Committee meeting will be November 8, 2011. The committee will discuss priorities for change out of equipment and continue discussion on the Dog Park.

Committee report was received and no action taken.

8. Receive Recreation Committee Report and take action as needed.
Wilson presented the following report of the Recreation Committee meeting:
GOALS 2011-2012 COMMITTEE GOALS
Program Goals:
 - A. Gather information and schedules for all sports & age groups to find any ages or interests not being addressed
 - B. Fill in gaps for lack of gym classes at schools
 - 1) Childhood obesity classes, working playgrounds
 - 2) Health Fair (see PROJECTS)
 - C. Find usage for 2 open fields (lights) @ Dan Moran
 - D. Adding to Fitness Stations – Long Term

AMBUC Pool Goals:

- A. Pump/Pool Maintenance – Short Term

Recreation Goals:

- A. Ongoing field & walking area evaluation

Wentz Pool Goals:

- A. Extend Pool hours to late hours on both Tuesday & Thursday nights
- B. Offer camp rental packages to include swimming
- C. Repairs to concessions and bath houses (cabins now being redone)
- D. Paint water tower – Long Term

PROJECTS:

- A. Daddy Long Legs Run – November 2012
- B. Health Fair for kids &/or adults

NEXT REC COMMITTEE MEETING: November 14, 5:30 PM @ Park & Rec Bldg

NEXT BOARD MEETING: November 17, 5:30 PM @ City Hall

Committee report was received and no action taken.

- 9. Receive Lake Committee Report and take action as needed.

Moore presented the following information from the Lake Committee 201-2012 Goals. Committee members are Rathbun, Moore, Riley, and Wentroth. The committee agreed that the number one priority should be improvements to the “Duck Ponds” at Lake Ponca Park. Wentroth commented much has been done to improve the Lake Ponca Recreation Area and the “Duck Ponds” are the first thing people see as they enter the area. The ponds need to be dredged, possibly install fountains, install a small fishing pier and maybe develop a trail around the area. The “Duck Ponds” could be developed to be a feature of Lake Ponca.

The committee is considering hosting a spring social and clean-up day for all lake users.

Recommended attendance should be Staff, Park and Rec board members, and Lake Patrol. This event should be well publicized (Newspaper, radio, and City TV channel) to reach as many potential lake users as possible. Possible items of discussion at the meeting prior to the clean-up are a) fishing at Lake Ponca, b) elimination of dumpster, c) concession stands at the lake, and d) input and Q/A from the users.

The possibility of rinse-off showers was discussed.

Committee report was received and no action taken.

- 10. Comments from chairperson or board members.

Young reported he and his wife were walking their dog around the picnic shelters at Lake Ponca.

There was a gentleman who had pulled into the lower area of the park to a grill and was grilling from the back of his pickup. What should be done? Staff asked when anyone sees something not right at the Lake they call Joe Allen, Lake Patrolman.

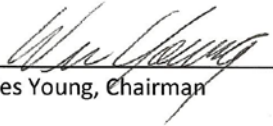
11. Discuss November Agenda.

Cann Garden rental fee recommendation.
Committee reports.


12. Adjourn.

There being no further business a motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Moore to adjourn.
Vote was as follows: Yes - Moore, Rathbun, Wentroth, Wilson, and Young. No – None. Abstention
– None.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 17 DAY OF November 2011.



Wes Young, Chairman



Secretary (minutes prepared by Katie Goss)