

Minutes approved by the Park and Recreation Advisory Board

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MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

July 15, 2010

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 July 15, 2010 in the B. S. Barnes Room, City Hall, 516 E. Grand Ave.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bivins, Cox, Kennedy, Moore, Riley, and Young.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Throop, Wilson, and Wentroth.

OTHERS PRESENT: Gary DeWeese, 3407 Crown, Ponca City; Tracy and Cindy Young, 2801 Meadow Lane, Ponca City; Beverly Bryant, Ponca City News; Jim Sindelar, Director, Parks and Recreation; Katie Goss, staff.

1. Call to Order

Kennedy called the meeting to order.

2. Citizen Comments

Gary DeWeese explained he part of group which has formed on face book with an interest in preserving the area of Lake Ponca Park known as "The Crow's Nest". Discussion regarding this project started at a 40th High School Class Reunion. There are trees growing up through the flagstone and the shelter is covered with graffiti. The group has received permission from Sindelar to go to the area Tuesday, June 22, 2010, for the purpose of removing saplings in the immediate area within the existing stone structure. The group will cut small saplings and weeds in this area and place them in the fire pit.

Sindelar stated a lot of work must be done to gain accessibility to the area. The City does not want to open the area where people can come in from the outside. The City must be able to lock the park at certain times.

DeWeese explained that the old road on the other side is currently the only access to the area. There is currently a chain across the road to prevent access to the area.

Kennedy expressed thanks to DeWeese for interest in preserving the area.

3. Consider and vote on the minutes of the June 17, 2010, regular meeting.

After reviewing the proposed minutes of the June 17, 2010 minutes a motion was made by Moore and seconded by Young to approve the minutes as presented. Vote was as follows: Yes - Bivins, Cox, Kennedy, Moore, Riley, and Young. No – None. Abstention – None.

4. Elect Chairperson for FY 2010-2011.

Kennedy opened the floor for nomination for Chairperson for FY2010-2011. Kennedy nominated Wes Young who has served as Vice Chairperson for the past year. There being no other nomination Young was elected Chairperson for FY2010-2011 by acclamation.

5. Elect Vice Chairperson for FY 2010-2011.

Kennedy opened the floor nomination for Vice Chairperson for FY2010-2011. Young nominated Kimber Bivins to serve as Vice Chairperson. There being no other nomination Bivins was elected Vice Chairperson for FY 2010-2011 by acclamation.

6. Directors Report

Sindelar reported the Swim Ordinance was approved by the City Commission Monday evening. The ordinance will go into effect as soon as the swim beach is completed. Water weeds have been pulled out, sand is in place, parking is in place, and car bumpers are being installed. Area divers have come in to search for objects which need to be removed. Signs have been built and will be installed as the beach is completed. The swim buoy line is approximately 750 feet in length. The Park and Recreation Department will issue a Press Release when the beach is open to the public.

AMBUCS presented a drawing of the proposed playground for AMBUC Park to the club for approval today. The club is currently raising funds for the project.

Staff is working with the Lions Club who wants to build a playground at the new recreation center. The Lions are just starting the plant the project and representatives were at the AMBUC meeting to hear their plans.

Public Hearing – None.

Old Business – None.

New Business

5. Tour Ponca City Recreation and Aquatic Center/YMCA.

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board and citizens in attendance departed City Hall and board the City Bus, driven by Mike Payne, to tour the Ponca City Recreation and Aquatic Center/YMCA. The group was met by Mike Chapman, Assistance City Engineer, and provided hard hats and safety glasses for the tour of the facility. Chapman led the group through both floors of the facility explaining the location of different activities which will be available in the building. The group then boarded the City Bus to tour the grounds of the new facility. Upon completion of the tour the City Bus returned everyone to City Hall.

6. Adjourn

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Vote was as follows: Yes - Bivins, Cox, Kennedy, Moore, Riley, and Young. No – None. Abstention – None.