

**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

Minutes of March 10, 2005

Present: Orestes Kaltsounis, member  
Tod Gazetti, member  
Meaghan Kovacs, member  
Ida Edmunds, member  
Kathleen Fejes, member  
Carol K. Anderson, staff

Stuart Redpath, member  
Tom Krent, member  
Brad Henson, student representative  
Janice Zikakis, member  
Jeff Biegler, staff

Absent: Merrill Dixon, Jeff Stewart, Stuart Alderman

Visitors: Brian Wattles

Resolution # PR - 2005 - 03 - 003

Moved by Krent

Seconded by Kovacs

Resolved, that the minutes from January 13, 2005 are approved as submitted.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. Aquatic Center Fees - A rate increase for daily passes and the punch cards has been approved by the City Manager. These increases are expected to help offset expenses.

The MRPA is conducting a state initiative for all Parks and Recreation departments to raise awareness of recreation benefits to the public and the impact on the quality of life to the community. The program will bring consistency between communities with regards to the value of recreation programs and services. The initiative is called the VIP program for vision, impact and planning. Look to hear more about this in the future.

B. Golf Course Ordinance Change - Chapter 30 of the Charter has been revised to include both golf courses. The substance of the ordinance remains the same, with modifications to include Sanctuary Lake Golf Course.

C. Civic Center Priority Task Force Plan - Tom Krent presented the CCPTF plan to the Parks and Recreation Board. Their plan was to develop the land in phases and add amenities as time and budget allows with the goal that this site would be a destination point and there would be something to do for all ages. Discussion from the group followed.

Resolution

Motion by Edmunds

Seconded by Kovacs

Whereas, the Civic Center Priority Task Force was established by the City Council in July, 2003 and member appointed in August, 2003,

Whereas, the Civic Center Priority Task Force main objective was to identify and prioritize public site plan elements,

Whereas, the Civic Center Priority Task Force presented their plan on February 16, 2004 and amended the report on June 21, 2004,

RESOLVED, that the Civic Center Priority Task Force report has been reviewed, noted and filed.

Discussion followed regarding the amenities, funding and programming on the Civic Center site.

**Resolution to Amend**

Resolution # PR - 2005 - 03 - 004

Motion by Kovacs

Seconded by Edmunds

RESOLVED, that the resolution be **AMENDED** by **INSERTING** “and will be reassessed after the Parks and Recreation Master Plan is complete.”

Yes: 6 (Kovacs, Kaltsounis, Edmunds, Redpath, Zikakis, Gazetti)

No: 2 (Fejes, Krent)

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion followed regarding the site and the possible amenities for it.

**Vote on Resolution as Amended**

Resolution # PR - 2005 - 03 - 005

Motion by Edmunds

Seconded by Kovacs

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Whereas, the Civic Center Priority Task Force main objective was to identify and prioritize public site plan elements,

Whereas, the Civic Center Priority Task Force presented their plan on February 16, 2004 and amended the report on June 21, 2004,

RESOLVED, that the Civic Center Priority Task Force plan has been reviewed, noted and filed and will be reassessed after the Parks and Recreation Master Plan is complete.

Yes: 5 (Edmunds, Gazetti, Kovacs, Redpath, Zikakis)

No: 3 (Fejes, Kaltsounis, Krent)

MOTION CARRIED

**OLD BUSINESS**

A. Community Center Shuffleboard/Bocce/Horseshoe Courts - this item is postponed until the next meeting when Merrill Dixon will be in attendance.

Member Comments - Tom Krent asked if the model of the reflective head could be put in the library for all to see and a biography of the artist with it. Carol Anderson will explore how we can track this model and securely display it as this is a valuable, historical asset belonging to the City.

Ida Edmunds mentioned that "Live and Learn" in Troy will be at the Community Center this weekend. This is an effort to attract families to Troy.

**Staff Reports**

Director/Recreation Report - The budget had not been fully reviewed by the Assistant City Manager in time for this meeting. It will be presented at the April meeting.

The security lights at Boulan Park were checked and may have been left on from the last part of softball or the football season.

Parks Report - The contractor that is removing trees has now removed 2400. City staff have removed approximately 1200 trees.

A tree trimmer has been hired so that we are now up to full staff. Seasonal staff will be hired within the next few weeks.

Monday, April 4 is Park Shelter Reservation Day. Get here early to reserve a park shelter for your family event.

Resolution # PR - 2005 - 03 - 006

Moved by Kaltsounis

Seconded by Krent

Resolved, that absent members are excused.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

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Kathleen Feges, Chairwoman

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Mary Williams, Recording Secretary