

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Troy Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held Thursday, April 19, 2007 at the Troy Community Center. Chairman, Tom Krent called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present:	Merrill Dixon, member	Tom Krent, member
	Stuart Redpath, member	Jeff Stewart, member
	Jan Zikakis, member	Tod Gazetti, member
	Stuart Alderman, staff	Jeff Biegler, staff
	Carol K. Anderson, staff	

Absent: Gary Hauff (excused), Kathleen Fejes (excused), Meaghan Kovacs (excused), Kirk Serkh, Rusty Kaltsounis

Visitor: Marvin Reinhardt

**Resolution # PR - 2007 - 04 - 07**

Moved by Dixon  
Seconded by Redpath

RESOLVED, That absent members who have provided prior notification are excused.

Yes: All  
No: None  
MOTION CARRIED

**Resolution # PR – 2007 – 04 – 08**

Moved by Dixon  
Seconded by Zikakis

RESOLVED, That the minutes from January 18, 2007 and February 15, 2007 are approved as submitted.

At this time there was a consensus to vote on the minutes for each month separately.

Moved by Dixon  
Seconded by Zikakis

RESOLVED, That the minutes from January 18, 2007 are approved as submitted.

Yes: All  
No: None  
MOTION CARRIED

**Resolution #PR – 2007 – 04 – 09**

Moved by Dixon  
Seconded by Zikakis

RESOLVED, That the minutes from February 15, 2007 are approved as submitted.

Yes: 3 Dixon, Redpath and Zikakis

Abstained: 3 Gazetti, Krent, Stewart

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Merrill Dixon's term as the Senior Advisory Committee representative on this board will expire April 30. He has served for four years and has brought senior issues to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. His replacement will be Pauline Noce.

- A. Parks and Recreation Budget – This budget was reviewed. One major change that will be made is the recreation revenue will now be in one account instead of winter and summer recreation being separated. The senior expense budget will now be in a separate account.
- B. Golf Division – At Sanctuary Lake the operating costs are being covered but not the debt service. The overall goal for the golf courses is to increase revenue and keep expenses down without affecting the golf experience.
- C. Aquatic Division – This year there are proposed increases for daily and seasonal passes and staff is working to increase the birthday party revenue at the Aquatic Center. This year is the 15-year anniversary and we will be offering special events in celebration.
- D. Capital Budget – A review of proposed projects at the Golf Courses, Nature Center, Community Center and Aquatic Center was reviewed.

#### **Resolution #PR – 2007 – 04 – 10**

Moved by Redpath

Seconded by Stewart

RESOLVED, that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board recommends to City Council approval of the Parks and Recreation, Golf Courses, Aquatic Center and Capital budgets.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

- E. Trails Task Force – This new group is made up of walkers, bikers and runners, that would like to see a city-wide path system in Troy. Though this task is daunting, there is interest and enthusiasm for the project.

### **Staff Reports**

- A. Director's Report – The ribbon cutting for the Bocce Courts will take place on May 15 at 12:30 p.m.

**Resolution #PR – 2007 – 04 – 11**

Moved by Gazetti

Seconded by Zikakis

RESOLVED, that the May meeting is canceled and Park Board members are instead encouraged to attend the ribbon cutting for the new Bocce courts on May 15 at 12:30 pm.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

- B. Recreation Report – There were four brochures updated by Community Affairs; the Fitness brochure, the two Golf Courses, and the Aquatic Center.

A new part – time coordinator for the banquet room has been hired. She will be working on special events and increasing birthday parties at the Community Center. Her name is Mary Jane Happy.

The lobby of the Nature Center will have a new look soon. One corner will have a children's play area. Volunteers from the Streets department are donating their time to build this area.

- C. Parks Report – Arbor Day celebration is May 4<sup>th</sup> this year. A tree will be planted at Firefighters Park and kites will be given away.

Surface reconstruction will take place on four tennis courts at Boulan Park this spring. This is the second half of this project and should be done by next month.

The Parks Garage has a new Field Supervisor, Kurt Bovensiep. He was promoted to this position and it now leaves an opening for a tree trimmer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Tom Krent, Chairman

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Mary Williams, Recording Secretary