

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Troy Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held Thursday, September 13, 2018 at the Troy Community Center, room 303.

Laurie Huber called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Laurie Huber, Julia (Judy) Baker, Tim McGee, Gary Hauff, Janice Zikakis, Kulin Oak, Elaine Bo, Brian Goul, Dennis Trantham, and Kurt Bovensiep.

Absent: Steve Toth

Visitors: Amy Bascom, Mike Brady, Diane Rowe, Barbara Fowler, Ida Edmunds, Dave Lambert, Rhonda Berger

Resolution # PR - 2018 - 08 - 001

Moved by Tim McGee

Seconded by Gary Hauff

RESOLVED, that the minutes of February 15, 2018 are approved.

Yes: 5

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #PR – 2018 – 08 – 002

Moved by Gary Hauff

Seconded by Tim McGee

RESOLVED, that the minutes of August 16, 2018 are approved.

Yes: 5

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- New Business
 - Green Space Presentation – Presented by Tim McGee
 - December 5, 2017 under the direction of the Troy City Council a committee was formed to look at Green Space and Open Space.
 - Open/Green Space is any open piece of land that is available to Troy residents for both active and passive recreational use; and may or may not be owned by the City of Troy. This Space includes the following:
 1. City Owned: Developed parks, undeveloped “pocket” parks, community gardens, cemeteries, Dog Park, two golf courses, Troy Nature Center, Troy Historic Village, Civic Center Campus, and the Troy community Center. 1106.3 Acres
 2. Troy School District Owned: Various school yards and any undeveloped land. 621.5 Acres

3. Private Ownership: Both developed and undeveloped land within the city that may be accessible by permission to Troy citizens.
709.5 Acres
4. The Committee looked at current City Zoning Ordinances – Cluster options, Woodland Protection, Planned Unit Developments, Landscaping requirements, Parks and Recreation Plan
5. Recommendations – Promote a 30-year dedicated millage not to exceed .05 for future park/open green space enhancement, maintenance, and/or acquisition in lieu of a renewal of Proposal A, B, and C Bonds. Implement the proposed pathways a plan in its entirety as it was originally approved. The interconnected pathways throughout the city must serve access to specific destinations within the city and be able to link with our surrounding city neighbors. The pathways must be accessible to all to accommodate walking, biking, and rest areas. Develop Sylvan Lake as the premier park of the city with recreational activities (fishing, swimming, ice skating, picnicking, etc.). Any future development of the Troy Civic Center property should consider recreational opportunities and facilities.

Resolution # PR - 2018 - 08 - 003

Moved by Gary Hauff

Seconded by Janice Zikakis

RESOLVED, that the Troy Parks and Recreation Board makes a motion to present the Green Space Presentation to City Council.

Yes: 5

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- Remnant Parcel 3385 Rochester Road – Dennis Trantham
 - Used to be Taco Bell. City acquired it in August and will be demolishing it.
 - Purchased do to the blight of the parcel. Council's intent is to demolish clean up and resell.
 - Likely to be Tim Horton's or something close to that.

Resolution # PR - 2018 - 08 - 004

Moved by Gary Hauff

Seconded by Janice Zikakis

RESOLVED, that the Troy Parks and Recreation Board makes a motion to accept the City's recommendation to sell remnant parcel.

Yes: 5

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- Public Comment
 - Mike Brady mentioned being on the Green Space committee was a learning experience and fun.
 - Ida Edmunds mentioned the city already owns beautiful undeveloped land and the .05 mileage might permit some development of the already owned property. Green Space is wonderful but it is not free and a good use of tax payers dollars.
 - Amy Bascom resides near Huber Park and would like to see volunteers come together to make a butterfly habitat on Huber Park behind the property of Troy Family Aquatic City. Amy offered to start the process, not looking at any funding for the project. Possibly getting volunteers in 2019. Mike Brady offered Milkweed seed.
 - Kurt Bovensiep will work with Amy to move forward with the project

Resolution # PR - 2018 - 08 - 005

Moved by Tim McGee

Seconded by Gary Hauff

RESOLVED, that the Troy Parks and Recreation Board makes a motion to move the proposal to look at creating a butterfly habitat on Huber Park property to staff.

Yes: 5

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- Rhonda Burger brought up concerns regarding cycling in the City and that the intersections do not have proper crossing for cyclist to cross safely.
- The Board advised crosswalks are handled by Traffic and Engineering, and Path and Trailways are handled by Parks.
- Old Business –
 - Creative Endeavors Report
 - 138 vendors, 35% vendors are non-residents, 21% are sales are man-made products. Revenue to Recreation Department 2017/18 \$6,516.
 - Nikki McEachern gave highlights on 50+ program. The total number of classes and programs is over 400. A new Bingo machine has been purchased. The Fifty Forward has been redesigned and our printer recommends our design nationally. New handicap button was installed outside of 402.
- Staff Reports –
 - Elaine Bo
 - Troy Racquet Club was awarded 10 year contract.
 - On October 1, 2018 Dog Park Memberships will be sold annually from date of purchase.

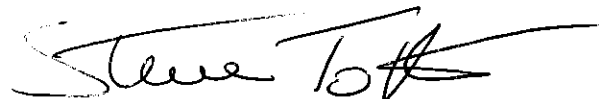
- Dennis Trantham
 - Dog Park Shelter Pad is in place. Staff will start working on the Shelter week of September 17, 2018. Parks is still waiting for the prefab restroom.
 - Beach Road Park will be getting a restroom this year.
 - Nikki discussed the Howl-O-Ween event at the Dog Park on October 23, 2018.
- Brian Goul
 - The Recreation Department is now in charge of the Frightful 5K. We will now offer inflatables, and participants can swim for free afterwards. We still have spots for Sponsorships.
 - Community Room fees have increased.
 - January 1, 2019 memberships will be increase by \$2.00
- Kulin Oak
 - Is now applying for Colleges as he is a senior this year.

Judy Baker made a motion to adjourn.


Gary Hauff seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 6:30 pm.



Steve Toth, Chairperson



Shannon Louwaert, Recording Secretary