

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF SUNSET HILLS, MISSOURI  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of Sunset Hills, Missouri met at Sunset Hills Community Center, 3915 S. Lindbergh on Wednesday, February 26, 2020. The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

**Park Board**

Present:	Doug McGuire	-Park Board Chairman
	Kelly Finney	-Member
	Claudia Svoboda	-Member
	Steve Bersche	-Member
	Jill Yarasheski	-Member
	Caiti Lipe	-Member
	Laurie Zeitler	-Member
	Esther Gier	-Member
	Gerald Brown	-Director of Parks and Recreation
	Mike Svoboda	-Guest
	Johnny Murdock	-Guest
Absent:	Laurie Taylor	-Member
	Pam Livingston	-Member
	Blake Harris	- Member

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Copies of the Minutes of the January 22, 2020 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting were distributed to the members for their review. Ms. Yarasheski made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. Ms. Gier seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Discussion of Bander Property**

Mr. Brown presented (1) updated proposal based on conversation/ideas submitted from last meeting. The Proposal included connection of lakes to channel/creek, Fishing access (no dock), Disk golf, mowed areas, natural/prairie and trails. Maintenance of the property was itemized out by options. Mr. Brown fielded questions/concerns pertaining to the proposed plans involving maintenance, construction, phases, etc. Ms. Lipe made a motion to recommend Option A as their recommendation for the Bander Property Ms. Svoboda seconded and it was unanimously approved.

**B. Proposed closing dates for 2020**

Mr. Brown presented closing dates for 2020 for the community center. Ms. Yarasheski made a motion to approve Ms. Lipe seconded and it was unanimously approved.

**C. BMX track Discussion**

Mr. Brown presented an idea for a BMX track for the City, this was an idea that was brought to him by a few residents. Mr. Brown identified an area in Minnie Ha Ha Park approximately 225" x 265" for the proposed track. Ms. Gier made a motion to accept the concept for a BMX track in Sunset Hills and instruct Mr. Brown to work with organization to define scope, finalize proposed budget, define exact location and create agreement and bring back for final approval. Ms. Zietler seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

### **Reports**

- A. Board of Alderman Report – Nothing to report.
- B. Pool Advisory – Mr. Brown discussed the proposed budget cuts, rules and regulations, concession stand price increases and budget projects for 2020.
- C. Gempp Committee – Met on February 10<sup>th</sup> – discussed tree signage, blue bird houses and yearly maintenance schedule.
- D. Swim & Dive Advisory – Nothing to report.
- E. Fitness Committee – Nothing to report
- F. Art Committee – Made a selection to replace Twister Sister Sculpture in Watson Trail Park, new piece will be installed in May.

### **Director's Report:**

Mr. Brown ask if there were any questions pertaining to the written report? No questions from written report.

### **Public Comment:**

### **New Business**

- A. Eagle Scout Project
- B. Urban Forestry Concerns
- C. Pre-Liminary Design for I-44 Pedestrian Bridge Project  
Mr. Brown let the commission know that we should be receiving the plans this week. Anticipate to have at next meeting. The Pre-liminary plans include (removal of Parking identification at Emmenegger Park, enlarged parking area on East side, cost analysis of River overlook (proposed cost estimate) and connection to soccer park on West side).

### **Other Matters deemed Necessary**

Ms. Gier asked Mr. Brown about the Earth Day celebration pertaining to not using the gym this year, Mr. Brown explained that we thought we would try something different and just use the lobby area this year, based on the lack of vendors for the gym and success of the vendors the past couple of years.

Chairman McGuire asked about Paper Shredding idea and everyone supported the idea of eliminating paper shredding inside the community center and move to (3) shredding events outside.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The Parks & Recreation Commission will be at 7:00pm, March 25, 2020 at City Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Finney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 pm. Ms. Lipe seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

**As submitted by,**

**Gerald Brown, Director of Parks & Recreation**