



**LOUISBURG PARK AND TREE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, August 13, 2018**

The Park Board of Louisburg, Kansas met at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers with Chairperson Bob Bazin presiding.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members: Wayne Knop, Michael McClellan and Ernie Reinhart

City Council: Steve Town

City Administrator: Nathan Law

City Staff: Jean Carder

Recording Secretary: Rusty Whitham

Visitors: Sam Allen, Hunter Rogers, and Mathew Allen

Item 1: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Item 2: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by Ernie Reinhart to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Michael McClellan. Motion carried 4-0.

Item 3: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Ernie Reinhart to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2018 Park and Tree Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Wayne Knop. Motion carried 4-0.

Item 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Persons who wish to address the Park Board regarding items not on the agenda may do so at this time. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. Any presentation is for informational purposes only. No action will be taken. None.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

Item 5: Discussion with Sam Allen concerning a proposed Eagle Project in L/Y Park (Flag Football signage)

Sam Allen explained that he wished to construct and install two directional sign in L/P Park indicating the location of the flag football fields. Allen mentioned that his proposed directional signs will be similar to the one located at the Powell Observatory.

Ernie Reinhart recommended the signs be constructed of cedar wood. Allen agreed.

Wayne Knop and Sam Allen discussed the proposed locations of the signs. Knop and Allen agreed on the placements of the signs.

After additional discussion Michael McClellan made a motion approve the proposed eagle project as presented by Sam Allen. The motion was seconded by Ernie Reinhart. The motion passed 4-0.

Item 6: Discussion with Hunter Rogers concerning a proposed Eagle Project in L/Y Park (Soccer goal refurbishing)

Hunter Rogers mentioned that he wishes to refurbish 10-12 soccer goals currently in L/Y Park. Rogers explained further by stating that refurbishment would include scraping the chipped paint from the metal goal frames and repainting them. In addition, he plans to make needed repairs to the netting.

Wayne Knop asked when this project will begin. Rogers mentioned that he wanted to start work on August 25, 2018.

Administrator Nathan Law recommended moving the goals to a designated location where scraping the paint can be accomplished. Law doesn't want paint chips left on the soccer field. Hunter Rogers agreed.

After additional discussion Wayne Knop made a motion approve the proposed eagle project as presented by Hunter Rogers. The motion was seconded by Michael McClellan. The motion passed 4-0.

Item 7: Discussion with Mathew Allen concerning a proposed Eagle Project at City Lake (Walking trail enhancement)

Mathew Allen explained that his wishes to place distance markers along the trail at City Lake. Allen stated that he can either install 2' high distance signs or paint distance markings on the trail pavement. It was the conscious of the board members that painted distance marking on the pavement would be preferred.

Wayne Knop asked what intervals will the markers be placed. Mathew Allen replied that markings will be painted on the asphalt at ¼ mile intervals.

Ernie Reinhart asked if markings will be placed in both directions. Mathew Allen mentioned he was considering providing markers for both directions. It was suggested that two colors of paint be used. A different color should be used for each direction. White, red, and yellow are the recommended colors suggested by the board.

Allen mentioned that he wishes to install a site map that illustrates the entire trail with highlighted distance marking along the course. There were no objections to the proposed site map.

Ernie Reinhart then asked if the sign will be hand painted. Allen replied with yes.

Ernie Reinhart asked Mathew Allen if he would be willing to provide proposed samples of font size, style, and design of markings to the board prior to starting work. Allen agreed.

Wayne Knop asked if this eagle project has been approved by the Boy Scouts. Allen replied by saying yes. He explained that this project has been tentatively approved by his leader and Heart of America Council. However, he needs city approval before he can move forward.

After additional discussion Wayne Knop made a motion approve the proposed eagle project as presented by Mathew Allen. The motion was seconded by Ernie Reinhart. The motion passed 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item 8: None

REPORTS:

Item 9: Individual area of responsibility updates:

Bob Bazin (Chairperson) – None

Lee Baer (Aquatic Center) – Reinhart asked why are we closing the Aquatic Center in the middle of August. Administrator Nathan Law explained that the city kept the Aquatic Center open weekends until after Labor Day a few years ago. At that time the number of patrons that actually used the pool during the extended weekends was less than desired. It was determined it wasn't cost effective to keep the pool open.

Steve Town mentioned that it's difficult to find enough lifeguards to work after school starts.

Administrator Nathan Law then mentioned that the City Council reduced the season pool pass two years ago in effort to make the pool more affordable for the residents.

It was also mentioned that the cost for family season pool pass in Louisburg is cheaper compared to other communities. Louisburg's current admission fee for a family of four season pass is \$100 and daily admission pass is \$4 per person.

Wayne Knop asked if the City had a chance to analyze the feedback from last month's Aquatic Center survey. Jean Carder stated that staff is in the process of compiling the data and should have the results soon.

Ernie Reinhart (City Park) – Reinhart asked if we have a time frame to remove the old play equipment in City Park. Nathan Law stated that he will coordinate with Public Works to schedule a time to have the old equipment removed. Reinhart then reminded everyone that the two smaller spinner equipment items still need to be relocated. Reinhart then wanted to know if anyone knew of a contractor willing to build a pavilion in City Park. Reinhart stated that he needs to get quotes for phase II of the City Park Master Plan.

Lastly, Reinhart wanted to know if the city has a plan to repair the damaged railing located on the pavilion. Staff mentioned that Guier Fence is compiling a quote to replace the railing. Staff would like to replace the current railing system with wrought iron. Staff will let the board know when the quote is received.

Wayne Knop (Ron Weers Park) – Knop asked Councilman Town if he had any information concerning the proposed trail lighting at City Lake. A proposal to install trail lighting was discussed at an earlier Park and Tree Board meeting. Town stated that he is still researching options.

Michael McClellan (Lewis-Young Park) – None

Jack Kline (Forestry Manager) – Not Present

Diana Moore (Rec Commission) – Not Present

City Administrator – None

Item 10: ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Ernie Reinhart to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Wayne Knop. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting concluded at 7:06 pm.

Submitted by Rusty Whitham