

**Recreation Advisory Board  
May 17, 2017  
Minutes**

Members Present:

Loren Anthony  
Brett Remsberg  
Miles Harvey  
Bill Young  
Matt Guthrie  
Wendy Wilkinson  
Susie Carson  
Russ McCaig (had to leave at 5:50 p.m.)  
Betty Kirkpatrick

Members Absent:

Brandi Lane

Commission Representative:

Kendra Wilkinson

Youth Commission Representative:

Staff Present:

Kevin Wishart   Tabitha Sharp   Don Argo   Brian Urton

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman, Loren Anthony.

Miles Harvey moved to approve the minutes as presented.

Bill Young seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

**Naming Disc Golf Course**

- Kevin stated that a name for the Disc Golf Course has been requested. This board needs to provide a suggestion to the Commission. The topic was tabled at the last meeting to get more input. He stated that staff have recommended El Dorado Disc Golf Course.
- Russ stated that because it is a tournament facility, we should tie it to El Dorado's name.
- Miles stated that he likes simple, but incorporating the Legion name in it as well would be good.
- Wendy asked if the park had a name.
- Kevin stated that it did not.
- Miles suggested El Dorado Disc Golf Course at Legion Park.
- Loren asked if the at Legion Park would be part of the name.
- Bill stated that it could be done either way.
- Loren asked staff to reach out to the Legion before presenting it to the Commission.
- Bill moved to name the area Legion Park and the Disc Golf Course El Dorado Disc Golf Course.
- Wendy seconded the motions.
- Each Motion carried 9 – 0.

### **Parks and Recreation Survey/Master plan**

- Tabitha briefly reviewed the survey results.
- Betty asked if we could do anything to help the bathroom problems during tournaments.
- Kevin stated that the City cleans before each tournament, and then it is the responsibility of that tournament. They are provided with paper products and cleaning supplies before the tournament. He stated that BCC does not historically take care of the restrooms, 490 does a great job with theirs. He stated that Butler's work is left to the coaches.
- Russ asked if there was a lock on the women's bathroom stall.
- Brian stated that he would check.
- Kevin stated that the boys' baseball field bathrooms were completely destroyed over the weekend. He stated that this has been the worst year for vandalism in the restrooms.
- Miles asked to talk about the priorities on the survey.
- Tabitha explained that the list was developed based on the master plan, input from the new City Manager and input from the public.
- Russ stated that he did not want to sell a sales tax that he didn't believe in. He stated that he was upset that the renovation of the existing pool was added into the survey.
- Susie stated that the length of the process has affected the response.
- Bill stated that he too would have trouble selling a sales tax. He stated that these do not address the problems they have with programming.
- Betty stated that she would only try and sell a sales tax for fixing up the parks that are used year around.
- Matt stated that we should look at the top three and then include what the board knows we need. He stated that we need a softball stadium.
- Wendy stated that we can't throw out the master plan.
- Kevin stated that we could come to a compromise if the board was willing to keep working on it.

### **YMCA Partnership**

- Kevin stated that we continue to work with the YMCA, we are joining with them on swim lessons this year. Our swim instructor was no longer with us and so joining with the YMCA has helped us fill that gap. We will use the municipal pool unless there is a weather issue and then we will use the YMCA.
- Spring soccer just finished, the biggest challenge was the Saturday rain outs.
- Loren asked if there were plans to do more.
- Kevin stated that they are talking about volleyball and flag football now.

### **Summer Activities Report**

- Kevin stated that baseball and softball have started, quite a few rain outs already.
- He stated that the first pool party is the 23<sup>rd</sup>, the pool opens officially on the 27<sup>th</sup>, Prairie Trails will not open this year. We will close the pool on August 13<sup>th</sup>, in order to save money.
- Matt asked about the Prairie Trails pool.
- Kevin stated that it is a budget issue this year due to maintenance issues.
- Kevin stated that summer hours for the Activity Center will be 10-2 M-F and 4-9 on Wednesday night. It will not be open on the weekends.

- Kevin stated that staff are prepping for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, the notice will be mailed out soon.
- Miles asked for a usage number for the pool.
- Kevin stated that he would get one, they are working on a better method of tracking it.
- Loren asked what renovations are required.
- Kevin stated we could put in a zero depth, realign for competition, and add new features.

### **New Business**

- Matt stated that he was at the baseball stadium on Wednesday and everything looked great.
- Betty stated that she was happy to see the flowers out.
- Susie asked if Prairie Trails was being combined with this board.
- Kevin stated that the city is hiring a new human resources director and he has been assigned Prairie Trails. He stated that they will continue to have their own board.
- Susie asked if there was a cart fee if you use your own cart at Prairie Trails.
- Kevin stated that there is.
- Susie asked if it was like that elsewhere.
- Kevin said it was.
- Wendy asked how they were doing staff wise.
- Kevin stated that Prairie Trails came with staff.
- Susie asked if CVB had moved as well.
- Kevin stated that he was going to have that as well for the time being.
- Wendy asked if he was under staffed.
- Kendra told him to say yes.
- Kevin said yes.

### **Director's Report**

- Kevin stated that they have filled the majority of the part time positions and there are no full time positions available in parks and cemeteries. He stated that they are anxiously awaiting summer staff so that we can keep up with mowing. All departments have had to cut overtime to help with the budget issues.
- Loren asked if there was feedback on the Gaga pits.
- Kevin stated that they have met a few times and he should have more information at the next meeting.
- Matt stated that there weren't a lot of people at the last meeting so it might be helpful if Kyle returns.

Bill moved to adjourn at 6:24 p.m.

Betty seconded.

Motion carried 8 – 0.