

Minutes Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Monday, Sept. 16, 2019 – 6:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm

Members Present: Kevin Hart, Commissioner, Chad Gochanour, Toni Hofland, Donna Gates-Shewey, Allen Green, and Stephanie Galle.

Vacancies: The committee has one vacancy for an SD10 representative.

The Minutes from the Board Meetings on May 13, 2019 and July 23, 2019 were unanimously approved.

Old Business:

- Vacancies: The committee has one vacancy for an SD10 representative. The vacancy has been advertised. Donna Gates-Shewey will meet with Justin Barnes (School Superintendent) to ask for a school representative, and Allen Green will send a second email to all school employees.
- Signage for Beaver Dam Park: Estimates from Newman signs should be submitted this week. Chad Gochanour had preliminary prices from MCE, but will recheck with them once he has required sizes.
- Kennedy Commons Special Committee: Letter of Support was submitted to Lori Sturm on July 23, 2019 by Toni Hofland. Lori agreed to file letter, so it is available if requested. Kevin Hart stated that an ordinance to form the committee would be introduced at an upcoming Commission Work Session. He believed that the committee would consist of: 1 Commissioner, 1 Parks & Recreation Board Member, 1 Anaconda Chamber of Commerce member, 2 community members from the immediate neighborhood of the Commons, and 2 community members at-large.
- Update on concerns at West Valley Park: John Leo Sladich reported that most of the maintenance concerns at the Park have been addressed. He also stated that the Park is on a regular maintenance schedule. Traci Thomas, ADLC Recreation Director also asked to go on record that the recent Pickleball Tournament held at the West Valley Park was an event that she organized. There had been some confusion in the community due to an erroneous newspaper article. There was a public comment from Rose Nyman stating that an editorial had been written based upon some information in an erroneous article. The newspaper has since printed a correction to their original article.

New Business:

- Next Meeting Date: November 18, 2019 – 6:00 pm

Public Comment:

- Michelle and Paul Beausoleil - 1706 Tammany Street asked for the Board's support in designating the area next to Dwyer School, below the Marty May Baseball Fields a county park. There was discussion amongst the Board about which steps would need to be taken to make

this a possibility. Chief among these steps were the need to find the documentation declaring it a County Park and ARCO testing of the ground. Kevin Hart and Donna Gates-Shewey also offered fundraising steps and suggestions. **Proposal and Anaconda Standard article attached.

- Neal Warner presented an idea for a Disc Golf course to be designed and built by his son, Andrew Warner, as an Eagle Scout project. Andrew is hoping to incorporate the course into Washoe Park. The Board was very supportive of this idea, however encouraged Neal to have his son look at other Parks. He was also encouraged to request being added to the agenda at the next meeting to present his full plan. Neal expressed a desire for Andrew to complete the project by December 2019. The Board did not feel that was an adequate time frame to get the necessary approvals.
- Rose Nyman added a comment that the proposed park on Tammany St (Jaycee's Park) is part of the Growth Plan and that she believed that would meet the request for documentation listing it as a county park.

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