

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Park & Recreation Commission
Council Chambers, City Hall
January 26, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Brown

Roll call was taken by Brent Morgan, Ex-officio Member.

Members Present: Kevin Brown, Marsha Ladd, Michael Wojtkowicz, Jerry Hebekeuser, Don Moore

Members Absent:

Other Present: Councilperson Gary Martenis, Ex-Officio Member Brent Morgan.

Approve Agenda:

Ex Officio Member Brent Morgan recommended amending the agenda to add item 4) a) Presentation of Loop Trail Project.

A motion to amend the agenda to add Item 4) a) Presentation of Loop Trail Project and approve the agenda as presented was made by Commissioner Wojtkowicz and supported by Commissioner Hebekeuser. There was no discussion on the motion.

Ayes: all, motion carried

Nays: none

Approve Minutes from November 24, 2008 meeting:

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 24, 2009 meeting as presented was made by Commissioner Ladd and supported by Commissioner Wojtkowicz. There was no discussion on the motion.

Ayes: all, motion carried

Nays: none

Presentation of Loop Trail Project

Ron Baker presented the Loop Trail Project to the commission including the history of the project, a description of the elevated walkway, pertinent specification and the project costs.

Ex Officio Member Morgan stated a preconstruction meeting with Wolverine building will be held this Tuesday and anticipate Construction 3rd week in February and completed before May 30, 2009.

A motion to support for the Loop Trail Project made by Commissioner Ladd and supported by Commissioner Moore.

Ayes: all, motion carried

Nays: none

Development of Annual Parka Analysis and Action Plan

Ex Officio Member Morgan updated the board in regards to the Development of Annual Parks Analysis and Action Plan which according to Section 2-243 of the City Code outlines this duty. Moreover, Board Members were provided a copy of this section of the City Code along with a copy of the Blue Ribbon Committee Report which contains some recommendation pertaining to Owosso Parks & Recreation System.

Discussion was held regarding the Blue Ribbon Committee Report, the Annual Parks Analysis and Action Plan.

Ex Officio Member Morgan acted as a facilitator for this goal setting session and the Parks & Recreation Commission Members reached a consensus on the following top ten goals and objectives for 2009

Parks & Recreation Goals & Objectives

1. Holman Pool Continue to Operate in FY 2008
2. Recruit Volunteers
3. Promote youth Baseball & Improve Facilities
4. Bentley Park Clean Up Work with Schools
5. Improvements to Hollman Pool Area
6. Community Plays cape @ Bentley Park
7. Hold Parks & Recreation Meetings at Various Parks Weather Permitting
8. Produce Promotional Piece for Owosso Parks & Recreation System
9. Bentley Park should become benchmark for Owosso Parks & Recreation System due to high visibility location.
10. Create Avenue to increase Parks & Recreation System Evaluation & Input

Significant discussion, debate and time was spent to reach the above list.

Ex Officio Member Morgan suggested he put this into a report format to be review and officially acted upon by the Commission at there upcoming meeting in February.

The Commission unanimously agreed.

Citizen/ Commissioner Comments:

No Citizen comment.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Hebekeuser. The motion was supported by Commissioner Wojtkowicz. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Brent D. Morgan
Secretary and Ex officio member