

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Park & Recreation Commission
Council Chambers, City Hall
July 27, 2009

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

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

Members Present: Marsha Ladd, Jerry Hebekeuser, Don Moore, Michael Wojkowicz

Members Absent: Carol Lawrence

Other Present: Councilperson Gary Martenis, Councilperson Mike Cline, Joe Fivas City Manager, Ex-Officio Member Brent Morgan,

Approve Agenda:

A motion to approve the amended agenda as presented was made by Commissioner Hebekeuser and supported by Commissioner Moore. There was no discussion on the motion.

Ayes: all, motion carried

Nays: none

Approve Minutes from May 26, 2009 meeting:

A motion to approve the minutes from the May 26, 2009 meeting as presented was made by Commissioner Wojkowicz and supported by Commissioner Moore. There was no discussion on the motion.

Ayes: all, motion carried

Nays: none

Citizen Comments

Cindy Popivitch offered support for the Playscape and discussion on Aquatic Center.

The Commissioners thanked Ms. Popivitch for her support of their endeavors.

Big Mike Youth Fishing Tournament July 11th Hopkins Lake:

Chairperson Ladd stated it was a success and requested Councilperson Cline for an update.

Councilperson Cline reported that he would present a check to the Parks & Recreation Commission at the 3rd Monday Council Meeting in August. He then proceeded to read a thank you letter which was presented to press at the meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the details of the successful event and all those that provided prizes to the children that participated in the event.

The Commissioner requested a special thank you be noted in the minutes to all those that sponsored the event and Councilperson Cline for implemented the event.

Discussion Field Trip to Hawk Island / Bentley Park Playscape

Chairperson Ladd updated the Commission on the Field Trip to Hawk Island. She thanked Councilperson Martenis for driving. The cost of the playscape was roughly \$100,000 excluding the splash park and the majority of it was the private fundraising. She reiterated that this playscape was built by small donations rather than just one.

Discussion ensued regarding how to proceed and prioritize the project, specific location it should be built in the park, and the need to only discuss the Playscape at the August Meeting.

Owosso Youth Baseball

Commissioner Hebekeuser updated the commission on the status of the fundraising efforts of the Owosso Youth Baseball and that they raised \$4,700 selling Joe Corby Pizzas. Season has officially ended Saturday.

Discussion ensued regarding a new concession stand with bathrooms.

Ex-Officio Member Morgan presented the Signs for the James Miner RiverTrail Trailhead signage. Jerry Hebekeuser expressed support for the project.

A motion to recommend the City Council approve the Signs for the James Miner Rivertrail was made by Commissioner Wojkowicz and supported by Commissioner Moore. There was no discussion on the motion.

Ayes: all, motion carried

Nays: none

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Moore. The motion was supported by Commissioner Wojkowicz. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Brent D. Morgan

Secretary and Ex-officio member