



MEETING MINUTES
PARKS, RECREATION, AND ARTS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
March 20, 2012

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at the Cultural Arts Centre, One St. Peters City Centre Blvd., at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Members Present: Amanda Darnell, Ryan Easley, Dan Frank, Don Moxley, David Ottinger, Martha Smiley, Sandra Thomas, Val Weston

Members Absent: Brian Meisenheimer, John Scherr

Ex Officios: Alderman Dave Thomas, Jeff Hutsler, Mary Kuppler

Guests: Emily Darnell, Malia Rice

Approval of Minutes

January minutes were approved as read.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Pagano was unable to attend.

Alderman Comments

Alderman Thomas introduced the newest member of the Board, Youth Representative, Sandra Thomas. Alderman Thomas asked about progress with the trail and park maps on the website and was told that we are getting close to both printable and electronic versions.

Guest Comments

None

Manager's Report

Lakeside 370

- ◆ Fishing and boating on the lake is now open as of March 1st.
- ◆ The play equipment and volleyball court are in near the RV pads. We hope to have the small pavilion and horse shoe pits in place by the end of spring.
- ◆ Grading continues around Pump Station No. 2 and should be completed this spring.
- ◆ We have taken several requests from groups to hold 5 K and 10 K races at the park.
- ◆ We are looking at purchasing a mobile concession trailer for the park which will be stationed near the boat dock.

- ◆ Staff is working on plans to build another 25 RV spots west of the primitive camp ground and also for a large pavilion east of the boat dock parking lot.
- ◆ Front entrance signage will be bid out along with several interior gates.

Rec-Plex

- ◆ The girls state swimming and diving championships were held February 17th and 18th.
- ◆ On March 30th we will hold the ISI Synchronized Skating Championships.
- ◆ May 5th, 9th and 11th we are hosting the high school water polo state championships.
- ◆ May 19th the Disabled Athletes Sports Association will host a swimming meet in the natatorium.
- ◆ Outdoor pools open on May 26th.
- ◆ We are gearing up for another busy summer camp session starting the beginning of June.

Cultural Arts

- ◆ Act II performed Steel Magnolias on February 10th – 19th. The play was nicely done and had good attendance. The next performance will be “The Mouse Trap” starting April 27th.
- ◆ Cindy and her staff are preparing for the “Bella Art Fest” to be held inside the Cultural Arts Centre and in the west parking area. Applications are being accepted from artists for booth space to display/sale their art work. The event will be held October 13th from 10am-6pm.

Golf Course

- ◆ The warm winter season and lack of snow has allowed the golf course to have one of the best starts since taking over the course.
- ◆ We are currently holding our first spring break etiquette summer camp at the golf course. Our second camp is scheduled for April 2nd.

Upcoming events and Important Dates

- ◆ Home and Garden show - March 31st
- ◆ Operation Clean Streams - April 14th
- ◆ Kite Festival May 19th from 10am-2pm at Lakeside Park
- ◆ Concerts in the Park 7pm - 9pm at the Amphitheater
 - May 17th - A Ticket to the Beatles
 - June 21st - Tennessee Two (Johnny Cash tribute band)
 - July 19th - Currykorn (Bluegrass)
 - October 30th – St. Charles County Symphony indoors in the Performing Arts Theatre
- ◆ Movies in the Park (start time 7:45 pm)
 - June 1st - The Muppets at Laurel Park
 - July 6th – Hugo at Spencer Creek Park
 - September 7th - Adventures of Tin Tin at Shady Springs Park
 - October 5th - The Wizard of Oz in the Cultural Arts Centre Auditorium

Chairman's Comments

Chairman Ottinger related a story covered nicely by the local media about the Air Force using the Rec-Plex pool for water survival training.

Old Business

The Red Bud trees were unavailable and have been replace with the Serviceberry for the Arbor Day

Tree Giveaway. Volunteers and set up location for the event are in place.

New Business

◆ Election of officers

Chairman - David Ottinger nominated by Dan Frank and seconded by Val Weston. The vote was unanimous.

Vice-Chairman - Ryan Easley nominated by Amanda Darnell and seconded by Martha Smiley. The vote was unanimous.

Secretary - Martha Smiley was nominated by Martha Smiley and seconded by Amanda Darnell. The vote was unanimous.

◆ Missing members

Chairman Ottinger expressed concerns about members Brian Meisenheimer and John Scherr who have not been in attendance for several months. Chairman Ottinger made a motion to inform Mayor Pagano that we feel both of these members should be replaced. The motion was seconded by Don Moxley. The vote was unanimous.

Miscellaneous

◆ "That Old Thing" antique appraisal event was held February 26th. We had a good turn out again this year.

◆ Community Gardens

Aldermen Roberts and Hollingsworth have proposed setting up community gardens. The sites would be at the corner of Mexico and Kimberly and at Oak Creek Park. Each area would have from 8 - 10 plots and would cost a resident \$30 - \$50 / year. The cost would include a key or access to the water spigot.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be at 7:00 pm, May 15, 2012, at the Cultural Arts Centre.

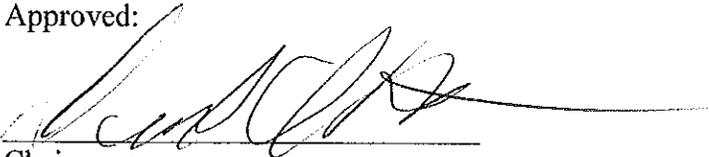
Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Martha Smiley
Secretary to the Parks, Recreation,
And Arts Advisory Board

Approved:



Chairperson
Parks, Recreation, and Arts Advisory Board

Member Name	Additional Hours Since Last Meeting	Total Hours to Date
Amanda Darnell	6	336
Ryan Easley	2	102
Dan Frank	2	118
Brian Meisenheimer	-	141
Don Moxley	5	17
David Ottinger	4	688
John Scherr	-	39
Martha Smiley	6	131
Val Weston	2	325
Sandra Thomas	2	2