



City of Bonner Springs

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Monday, November 20, 2023

200 East Third Street, Bonner Springs, KS 66012

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 5:30 PM

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Minutes from October

Action Motion to approve minutes as presented.

Recommendation

Documents:

1. 10.16.23 Recreation and Open Spaces Advisory Committee Minutes DRAFT

2. Pool Hours Update

Action Discussion

Recommendation

Documents:

3. Show & Tell: River Front Area with Brad

Action

Recommendation

Documents:

REPORTS

1. Recreation Manager Update

2. Cemetery Update

Action

Recommendation

Documents:

CITIZEN CONCERNS

Memorandum

Date: November 20, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From:

Subject: Minutes from October

Recommendation:

Action: Motion to approve minutes as presented.

Background:

Discussion:

Financial Impact:

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Minutes - Regular Meeting - October 16, 2023

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 5:30 PM - Meeting called to order at 5:30PM by Angie Thomas.

OLD BUSINESS -

Minutes from August - Minutes from August 2023 were lost. Brad suggested that meetings be recorded to be played back later to retrieve minutes that way. Staff began recording October meeting.

NEW BUSINESS -

River Front - Brad shared photos of existing historical River Front structures.

Center Park Plan - Staff shared that it was approved by City Council to have plans drawn up for the future development of Center Park. Staff shared citizen survey results on what they feel should be included in the plans for Center Park. Discussion was held on the survey results and proposed features. Discussion was held on different features the park could realistically hold. There was also discussion on future trail connections and existing features in other parks. Staff shared that pickleball courts will be moved up to North Park to avoid any potential noise complaints.

Pool Hours - No discussion occurred. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

REPORTS -

Recreation Manager Update -

- Staff shared about Volleyball games and practice.
- Basketball registration is open.
- Tatum and Gloria are both certified as Fit & Strong instructors. Participants have already noticed an improvement in mobility.
- Planning for senior trips for 2024, to be approved by council on 10/23/23.
- Staff shared flyers on the upcoming Halloween event to be held on Saturday, October 28th. Staff clarified that the Jack-O'-Lantern Jamboree is held at the Ag Hall of Fame and still has the story trail component. It was moved to accommodate the increasing size of the event. Potentially moving the event back to Lions Park.
- Discussion on the upcoming KCMPRDA banquet on Nov. 17th at 6PM.

Cemetery Update - Staff shared that 14 trees were planted at the cemetery. They are mulched and irrigation socks will be added soon as it has been very dry. Trees planted included: 6 Japanese Liac along entry road, 2 oaks (one by gazebo and the other where Rodger Miller was concerned about), 2 Jefferson Elms (one by pond and one in back), 2 Tilpodpas in the back due to the bean pods, 1 coffee tree and 1 ginkgo tree.

Brad shared that he would love to have more cedar trees to block the noise from the highway.

Staff shared that there was 2 weeks left in the mowing contract.

Brad asked about the pond at the cemetery. Jeff responded that it is almost dry but cattail free. There is lots of moss and frogs. The natural springs that used to flow into that pond, have been dry.

CITIZEN CONCERNS - Holly inquired about the Farmer's Market progress. Staff shared that the bid packet is almost done and that it's in production. Staff hopes that it's in before winter but realistically spring before market starts.

Brad shared railroad contact with staff who will forward the downtown master plan consultants.
Brad will bring more pictures of the river front at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 6:34PM made by Jim Jenkins. Seconded by Robin?. All approved.

Memorandum

Date: November 20, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From:

Subject: Pool Hours Update

Recommendation:

Action: Discussion

Background:

Discussion: Staff to review the changes to the pool hours for 2024 and why changes were necessary.

Financial Impact:

Memorandum

Date: November 20, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From:

Subject: Show & Tell: River Front Area with Brad

Recommendation:

Action:

Background:

Discussion: At the October meeting, Brad Harrington shared that he would bring more pictures from the river front area and possibly a video tour.

Financial Impact:

Memorandum

Date: November 20, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Justine Spease

Subject: Recreation Manager Update

Recommendation:

Action:

Background:

Discussion:

- There will be no meeting in December 2023. Next meeting tentitively set for Tuesday, January 16th if it is acceptable to the group. The months of January and February each have holidays on the 3rd Monday. Another option is to delay meeting until Monday, March 18th, as that is the first 3rd Monday without a holiday.
- Holiday Lights Tour is a go for Thursday, November 30th. Registration is \$25.
- Basketball practice is to start the week of December 4th.
- Santa is currently accepting letters. Deadline to write to Santa and get a custom letter in return is Monday, December 11th. This ensures that the USPS has ample time to deliver letters before Christmas.
- City's Christmas celebration "Candy Cane Lane" is Saturday, December 2nd.
- City Council approved the continuation of the partnership between Lenexa to offer Senior Trips. Staff has been busy planning to ensure some awesome offerings. Just a reminder that most of these trips are 21+. Travel Show will be January 17th at 1PM in the Gym. It is free to attend and you gain access to trip savings and door prizes!
- Community Center window replacement project is going well. Nathan to share more.
- Staff received an additional \$21,000 grant for Camp Great Adventure! :)
- Winter Camp is December 18th-22nd and Dec. 26th-29th.

Financial Impact: