

## **Park Board Meeting - 11/08/04**

**Meeting Chair:** Mike Nolan, President of Park Board

### **In Attendance:**

**Ron Crow, Park Board Member**  
**Jay Garvin, Director of Parks and Recreation**  
**Doug Dailey, Vice President of Park Board**  
**Mike Nolan, President of Park Board**  
**Greg Johnson, City Administrator**  
**Cheri Reichenberger, Park Board Member**  
**Nancy Cook, Treasurer of Park Board**  
**Doug Pickert, Park Board Member**  
**Barry Thierer, Park Board Member**

### **Not in Attendance:**

### **Old Business**

1) Acceptance of previous meeting minutes.

Mike Nolan motioned to accept the August meeting minutes and the motion as seconded by Nancy Cook. MOTION CARRIED.

2) Treasurer's report

Nancy Cook reported no activity from the "Friends of the Park" account through October. The current balance is \$13,889.91.

3) Community Center Usage

Greg Johnson has made the recommended changes to the Community Center Usage Guidelines. We will have a representative from the Park Board present the recommended changes at the next council meeting.

Summary of proposed Changes:

- Change hours of usage to no later than 10:00 P.M.
- Strengthen the language for Alcohol as it relates to Law Enforcement and forfeiture of deposit.
- Increase LOCAL food and drink deposit to \$350.00.

4) Tree City USA was not discussed during this session. Tabled for December.

Mike Nolan is continuing work to contact the state of Kansas and coordinate efforts in the planting of trees along Kill Creek Road.

- Acquire permit
- Getting three formal bids for the planting of 30 trees along Kill Creek Rd. (one-year warranty)

Doug Pickert to email spec sheet to Jay to create formal bid.

5) City Parks Survey

148 responses were received and analyzed. A report was provided to the Park Board and city officials Jay Garvin, Director of Parks and Recreation, as well as Greg Johnson, City Administrator.

6) Removal of Existing Pool

Board members discussed the best approach for removal of the existing pool and pool house. The board is currently considering whether or not to preserve the existing pool house for use as another restroom facility at Miller Park. A cost-benefit analysis is being performed to determine what levels of investment would be needed to convert/update the existing pool house to a public restroom as an interim solution to the overall facility needs for Miller Park.

## 7) Beautification of City Entrances along Lexington Avenue and Penner Avenue

Doug Pickert introduced three concept designs to the Park Board for consideration regarding new and improved signage for the east and west entrance areas to the city. Preliminary feedback was provided and discussion will continue at the next meeting in December.

## 8) Park Land and Park Space for Arbor Ridge Residential Housing Development

Greg Johnson presented a preliminary plan from the Arbor Ridge developer to provide adequate park space within their master plan. The developer defined two zones within the planned subdivision to be provided to the city to accommodate requirements for providing park space in any new development.

A red-zone was defined for public open space, while a green-zone was defined for private open space for a homeowners association. Both areas do not comply with city planning in meeting requirements for usable park space. These zones would not be easily accessible (steep terrain, flood plain prone), nor visible from the residential area being developed.

The Park Board would like to accept both red and green zones as part of dedicated park land from the development, but request a 1-2 acre plat be designated for a neighborhood park that is located in an accessible area for local residents to bike or walk.

## Closing of the November Meeting

Motion by Barry Thierer to close out the meeting. The motion was seconded by Cheri. MOTION CARRIED and meeting ended at 9:17 PM.

## Consent Agenda for December

Arbor Ridge Park Space	Greg Johnson	Update planned for December meeting.
Pool House Discussion	Greg Johnson	Provide Cost-Benefit Analysis for improve versus new restroom.
Tree City USA	Mike Nolan	Inventory and Kill Creek Road Project Update.
City Council Tour of existing Parks	Mike Nolan	11/08 Waiting on Update from Mike. 1. Establish objectives of tour 2. Identify order of Tour 3. Develop Park Feature Statements for each park on the tour
City Park Survey - Results	Doug Dailey	11/08 Currently on HOLD. 11/08 Doug Dailey presented results to Park Board. Prepare for City Council.
Park Signage	Jay Garvin	Jay to provide update
Community Center Usage	Greg Johnson	11/08 Tabled for Discussion at December Meeting. Changes were shared. Preparing for City Council.
Johnson County Streamway Project	Greg Johnson	Greg Johnson contacted Johnson County. The county is planning on completing planned Streamway work in 2005.
Beautification - North and South Entrances	Doug Pickert	Doug Pickert presented some initial designs concepts to Park Board. Continue to evolve re-design in December meeting.
Future Park Site	Doug Pickert	Doug Pickert to review preliminary boundary maps for the future park site and take a closer look at the available tracts of land that would support this park and report back to team for December meeting.