

Park Board Meeting – 03/12/2007

Meeting Chair: Park Board President Doug Pickert called the meeting to order at 6:38p.m.

In Attendance:

Doug Pickert, Park Board President
Doug Dailey, Park Board VP
Ron Crow, Park Board Member
Patrick Guilfoyle, City Administrator
Jay Garvin, Director of Parks and Recreation
Justin Huslig, Recreation Programs and Aquatic Pool Manager

Not in Attendance:

Nancy Cook, Park Board Member

Approval of Minutes

Doug Dailey made a motion to approve the February 2007 minutes. The motion was seconded by Ron Crow. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report

General and Shugart Funds Report.

	September	October	November	December	January	February
General Fund						
Park Fees	89,697.12	90,047.12	90,397.12	90,532.12	93,218.62	94,034.62
Liquor Tax	31,142.38	31,142.38	31,142.38	33,190.41	33,190.41	33,190.41
Cash Balance	21,612.61	21,612.61	21,612.61	10,227.99	-272.01	-272.01
Total	142,452.11	142,802.11	143,152.11	133,950.52	126,137.02	126,953.02
Shugart Fund	20,659.68	20,659.68	20,659.68	21,069.55	21,069.55	21,069.55

- Interest accrued from the Shugart Fund can only be used for improvements at Miller Park.
- An increase will appear once accounting is reconciled.

Old Business

1) CIP Update

5-year CIP items have been finalized. Several park related items made the five year capital improvement plan starting January of 2008. The city staff will be working to refine the project specific costs and working to finalize bonding plan for 2008.

- Lexington/Commerce Park – Phase 1
- Kaw River Park – Phase 1
- Miller Park Master Plan Study
- Tree City USA (3 - \$10,000 projects over the next 5 years)
- Trail connection from Lexington Avenue to the city aquatic center

2) Kaw River Park

Phase 1 of the Kaw River Park project will likely start prior to the January 2008 start date of the upcoming 5-year CIP due to anonymous donations. As a result, the city has issued RFQ to a field of consultants with an end date for submittals of April 3rd.

3) Eagle Scout Project

Jay Garvin and Doug Pickert performed a site survey for a proposed picnic table pad project by a local eagle scout troop. Jay Garvin will finalize the specific location with Brad and Jeff Cook.

4) De Soto Soccer Club

Doug Picker met with the soccer club members who have decided to play their upcoming spring and fall seasons in Gardner, KS. There had been some discussion with USD232 to make field improvements at school facilities that will allow the fields time to be ready for next Spring.

5) Park Board Membership

Doug Pickert effectively resigned from the park board as acting President. Doug sited potential conflict of interests that would prevent him to bid on upcoming and future parks and recreation projects. Doug Dailey will assume his position on the board per the Park Board by-laws and ordinance.

New Business

1) Park Land Ordinance

Doug Pickert performed a review of the current development site fee which provides direct funding for use in Parks and Recreation projects for the City of De Soto. De Soto's current fee rate is \$350/residential site. Doug Dailey recommended that the city perform a survey of local competitors to determine if the current rate is competitive and/or appropriate. A similar study was performed by the City Planner two years ago. Jay Garvin agreed and will work with the City Planner to provide updated numbers.

Closing of the March Meeting

Doug Dailey made a motion to close out the meeting at 8:50 PM. The motion was seconded by Ron Crow. The MOTION CARRIED.