

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY OF MOORE PARKS BOARD
JANUARY 6, 2015 -7:00 PM**

The Parks Board of the City of Moore met in regular session, 301 N. Broadway, Moore, Oklahoma on January 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. with Chairman Vickers presiding. The following members were present:

Janie Milum	Charles Payne
Sid Porter	Jeff Arvin
Kelley Mattocks	Eddie Vickers

ABSENT: Robert Washington

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson and Administrative Assistant, Patti Sandefur

Agenda Item Number 1 being:

ROLL CALL; (listed above).

Agenda Item Number 2 being:

RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 2, 2014

Board Member Milum motioned to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on December 2, 2014, second by Board Member Mattocks. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: Milum, Payne, Porter, Arvin, Mattocks, Vickers

Nays: None

Absent: Washington

Agenda Item Number 3 being:

AMEND LITTLE RIVER PARK MASTER PLAN

Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson stated that in October of 2013 the Board recommended approval of the Master Plan to the City Council, which they adopted.

There is no significant change to the Little River Park plan other than to combine the central and west side ponds into one large pond. It could then serve as a regional storm water facility for 19th Street and Telephone Road. This would be beneficial to the park, and HUD funds would cover the costs. This was contemplated a little over a year ago.

Board Member Payne stated that he thought there was some opposition to this previously.

Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson replied the new plan was posted on facebook and there were a lot of positive comments and quite a few citizens 'liked' it also.

Board Member Payne motioned to recommend approval of the amended Little River Park plan, second by Board Member Arvin. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: Milum, Payne, Porter, Arvin, Mattocks, Vickers

Nays: None

Absent: Washington

Agenda Item Number 4A being:

NEW BUSINESS

A) CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to speak.

Agenda Item Number 4B being:

B) ITEMS FROM THE PARK BOARD

Board Member Payne asked if the Little River Park pavilions were open for rentals.

Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson replied that 2 pavilions have been open for rental since late summer 2014; they have both been reserved/rented numerous times.

Board Member Arvin asked where staff was with the hiring of a department director.

Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson stated that right now things were going smooth with him holding both positions.

Board Member Porter stated that it was probably a good idea for Todd to finish the Central Park project since it would be very difficult to get a new employee up-to-date on such a large project and learn about the rest of the City. He believed Todd was doing great with both jobs.

Board Member Mattocks asked about the CBGB disaster recovery projects. Was a road going to be installed connecting Plaza Towers to Little River Park, and would the detention pond on the south end impact this area?

Board Member Payne inquired when the splash pad and playground would be constructed

Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson replied that SW 10th Street will go into Janeway and there will be parking along the street. This will serve the splash pad, playground, and pavilion on the south end of the park. Todd stated that he was hopeful the Little River projects would start this year.

Chairman Vickers asked if the manhole on the west ball field in Fairmoore Park was going to be lowered.

Board Member Mattocks inquired about the creek bank improvements at Fairmoore Park.

Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson replied that the manhole was not going to be lowered but the fence would be moved. The creek bank will be covered in vegetation at first; then a water feature will be installed in the future.

Board Member Arvin inquired about an older Trails Plan that had a trail being installed at Fairmoore Park that would link to Little River Park.

Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson stated that there is a Master Trails Plan; he believes there is a plan for a trail to go from Fairmoore Park to Little River Park. He would like to see a few additional trails added; one going from Parmele Park to Fairmoore, from Little River Park to Central Park, and Central Park to Veteran's Park. This would be a long term goal.

Agenda Item Number 5 being:

REPORTS

- Assistant City Manager, Todd Jenson stated that the 2015 Spring/Summer Parks and Recreation Activity Guide should be finished and printed by the February Parks Board meeting. This is the 3rd guide the department has created and contains information on all of the parks with their amenities and activities, and Community Center rentals and activities. The guide has gone from 12 pages to 16 pages. It should be very beneficial to the citizens.
- The Youth Basketball League should be finished the 3rd week of February. The previous weekend before the Parks Board meeting games were cancelled due to the threat of inclement weather, which extended the season one week.

- Just before Christmas the wiring was stolen out of the new tennis court fixtures at Buck Thomas Park. They are now 2-3 weeks behind because of the theft but the courts looks great. The same night a truck and tools were stolen from the Park Maintenance lot.
- The Veteran's Wall of Honor is now 80-90% complete. A Memorial Day ceremony is being discussed.
- The new recreation center supervisor position was posted; there were forty-seven applicants with nine being interviewed. Mr. Darron Buchanan was hired. He previously worked for the YMCA and was the director of the before and after care at the Community Center for several years up to the 2013 tornado. Todd believes he will be a great fit in the department. He will start on January 20.
- There has been a lot of work done at Central Park; steel has gone up, welding, and underground electric. Construction on the pool should begin any day and the farmers' market columns and amphitheater retaining wall are also going up.

Agenda Item Number 6 being:

ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Arvin motioned to adjourn the Moore Parks Board meeting, second by Board Member Porter. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: Milum, Payne, Porter, Arvin, Mattocks, Vickers
Nays: None
Absent: Washington

The Moore Parks Board meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

RECORDED/TRANSCRIBED BY:

PATTI SANDEFUR, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant

FOR:

KELLEY MATTOCKS, Secretary

These minutes passed and approved as noted this ____ day of _____, 2015.

