

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY OF MOORE PARKS BOARD
March 7th, 2023 -6:00 PM**

The Parks Board of the City of Moore met in regular session, 700 S. Broadway, Moore, Oklahoma on March 7th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman Jeff Arvin presiding. The following members were present:

Jeff Arvin	Eddie Vickers
Janie Milum	Charles Payne
Sid Porter	

ABSENT: Kelley Mattocks, Robert Washington

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Parks and Recreation Director, Sue Wood; Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, Whitney Wathen; and Administrative Assistant, Rita Chadrick.

Agenda Item Number 1 being:

- ROLL CALL; (listed above).

Agenda Item Number 2 being:

RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 7th, 2023

Board Member Milum motioned to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held February 7th, 2023; second by Secretary Payne. Motion passed unanimously.

Ayes: Arvin, Milum, Payne, Porter, Vickers

Nays: None

Absent: Mattocks, Washington

Agenda Item Number 3 being:

MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON MOORE YOUTH BASEBALL ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

Sue Wood, Parks and Recreation Director, stated that all of the sports association agreements will run from April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. She noted that Brooks Mitchell, City Manager, added a paragraph to the MYBA agreement stating that they will

make a payment of \$20,000 on or before November 15, 2023 as their first payment towards the new restrooms at Buck Thomas Park. She also stated that we are still looking at making adjustments to the construction to bring the cost down.

Board Member Vickers asked if there is a way to build around the utilities instead of moving them.

Whitney Wathen, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, replied that they would try not to move the utilities as much to cut down on costs. He added that they could possibly eliminate one stall to make the building smaller and see what that cost savings might be at no additional charge from the architect.

Barry Williams, 1061 NW 6th Street, addressed the Board regarding Section 11, Safety Rules, in the MYBA agreement. He stated that relying on the 30/30 flash to bang ratio for lightning detection during severe weather needs to be updated and it should be added to the agreement that some type of lightning detection system be purchased to go along with the 30/30 to ensure that everybody is safe out on the fields.

Whitney Wathen, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, responded that we are already looking at different options for lightning/weather alert systems and will share the information with the associations once we decide what to purchase.

Board Member Vickers motioned to amend Section 11, Safety Rules, in the agreement to state that all associations are required to have a device and system for monitoring weather conditions and lightning detection within a minimum ten-mile radius of all sports activities; this will also cover all four sports agreements; second by Secretary Payne.

Ayes: Arvin, Milum, Payne, Porter, Vickers

Nays: None

Absent: Mattocks, Washington

Board Member Vickers motioned to accept Moore Youth Baseball Association Agreement; second by Board Member Milum.

Ayes: Arvin, Milum, Payne, Porter, Vickers

Nays: None

Absent: Mattocks, Washington

Agenda Item Number 4 being:

MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON MOORE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

Board Member Vickers asked why this association pays a lower fee than the other associations.

Sue responded that Football takes in less money than the other associations; they also contract out for Friday Night Lights.

Vice Chairman Porter motioned to accept the Moore Football Association Agreement; second by Board Member Vickers.

Ayes: Arvin, Milum, Payne, Porter, Vickers

Nays: None

Absent: Mattocks, Washington

Agenda Item Number 5 being:

MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON MOORE GIRLS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

Sue stated that Softball is doing a great job; they were able to get a \$95,000 donation to get dirt on their fields.

Board Member Vickers motioned to accept the Moore Girls Softball Association Agreement; second by Vice Chairman Porter.

Ayes: Arvin, Milum, Payne, Porter, Vickers

Nays: None

Absent: Mattocks, Washington

Agenda Item Number 6 being:

MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON MOORE SOCCER ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

Sue stated that the association is now run by Nutmeg Futbol; however, they are still developing the soccer program for Moore and working with Moore schools. Their fee is only \$2,000.00 because they are a new association and not making a lot of money yet.

Secretary Payne asked if we are still developing Quail Ridge as a soccer field; Sue responded that we are but it will take some time to develop the field.

Board Member Vickers motioned to accept the Moore Soccer Association Agreement; second by Secretary Payne.

Ayes: Arvin, Milum, Payne, Porter, Vickers

Nays: None
Absent: Mattocks, Washington

Agenda Item Number 7 being:

NEW BUSINESS:

(A) CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mr. Williams also addressed the Board regarding the parking at Buck Thomas Park North during weekend baseball and softball tournaments. He stated that with the east and west gates closed people are parking illegally in areas that do not have designated parking spots, which can block access to emergency response vehicles. Mr. Williams's suggestion is to open the north and south gates as well during tournaments or have the Moore Police Department start issuing tickets.

Whitney responded that opening extra gates during tournaments can be arranged; he also stated that "No Parking" signs can be put up and MPD will be contacted regarding this issue.

(B) ITEMS FROM THE PARK BOARD

There were no items from the Board.

Agenda Item Number 8 being:

REPORTS

Whitney stated that construction will be starting on a pavilion/party spot at the Aquatic Center that will provide a shaded area for parties; also finalizing quotes for renovation of Brand Senior Center restrooms; renovation of The Station locker room showers is scheduled; custom pizza box trash cans have arrived and waiting on in-ground trash cans. Sue added that the City Council approved the donation of four teqball tables to be located at Buck Thomas Park, Fairmoore Park and Central Park.

Chairman Arvin commented that the renovation of the Senior Center restrooms is definitely needed.

Agenda Item Number 9 being:

ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Vickers motioned to adjourn the regular meeting of the Moore Parks Board; second by Board Member Milum. Motion passed unanimously.

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

The Moore Parks Board meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

RECORDED/TRANSCRIBED BY:

RITA CHADRICK, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant

FOR:

CHARLES PAYNE, Secretary

These minutes passed and approved as noted this ____ day of _____, 2023.