

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY OF MOORE PARKS BOARD  
February 2nd, 2021 -6:00 PM**

**The Parks Board of the City of Moore met in regular session, 700 S. Broadway, Moore, Oklahoma on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Chairwoman Janie Milum presiding. The following members were present:**

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

ABSENT: Robert Washington

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Parks Director, Sue Wood; Acting Assistant Parks Director, Whitney Wathen; Recreation Coordinator, Logan Crosslin; 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 JANUARY 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Board Member Vickers motioned to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021, second by Board Member Arvin. Motion passed unanimously.**

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

Nays: None

Absent: Washington

**Agenda Item Number 3 being:**

NEW BUSINESS

A) CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens present that wish to be heard.

B) ITEMS FROM THE PARK BOARD

There were no items from the Parks Board.

**Agenda Item Number 4 being:**

REPORTS

- Parks Director, Sue Wood, reported on the draft of Moore Parks & Recreation Department's Strategic Development 2021-2022 Goals and Objectives.
- There will be monthly, quarterly, and annual reports given on goals and objectives in the following areas: The Station and Community Center Recreation Activities; Building Maintenance; Special Events; Parks and Maintenance; and Parks Horticulture and Cemetery.
- Goals and objectives include providing high-quality diverse and inclusive recreational activities to meet varied needs and interests for all citizens of Moore, including but not limited to special needs individuals, preschool children, teens/pre-teens and young adults, adults and senior citizens.
- Sue asked the board members to review the draft for items that may have been missed or need to be adjusted or added.
- Board Member Arvin asked when the final draft has to be in place.
- Sue responded that the final draft would be needed by May 1 and it will go in to effect on July 1.
- Board Member Porter thanked Sue for the information and stated that it was very informative.
- Acting Assistant Parks Director, Whitney Wathen, provided an update on the Old Town Park project. Budget numbers have been met for the train depot, which will be used primarily as an art studio and a coffee shop. RFPs will go out next month for a coffee shop company or an individual that wants to run that business.
- Associated with the park will be a pavilion, walking trail, gardens, and a future location for an art or statue piece that will not be included in the first round. Estimated cost is \$695,000; projected start is in the next few months with completion of the park by early or late fall this year.
- Board Member Porter added that this would be the second round of RFPs for the coffee shop, with the first ones sent out receiving zero responses. We sent out some RFPs on that previously and no one had any interest in a coffee shop; it will be interesting to see what comes in on that this time.
- Whitney responded that there is some interest from a few people, but they will have to go through the bidding process.
- Board Member Porter asked how long the bids would be open.
- Whitney responded that bids would be open for 30 days.
- Board Member Vickers asked if there is a building plan, specifically if the restrooms were moved to the outside instead of in the coffee shop so that people using the walking trails would have access and a water fountain outside.

- Whitney responded he has not received the actual finished plans at this point. Sue said that they would look at the plans and make sure a water fountain is part of it.
- Board Member Vickers thanked Whitney and Sue.
- Board Member Mattocks added that one of the things discussed previously was whether it would be worth it to make it a small events center and asked if that idea ever gained any momentum.
- Board Member Arvin responded that it could be used for small meetings, but there are other event center options that are going on right now in addition to that, like the library, but it has been discussed to be used as a small events center.
- Chairwoman Milum thanked Whitney for the update on the project.
- Recreation Coordinator, Logan Crosslin, provided information about the new monthly report, specifically classes offered at The Station and the community center. Some free classes are now offered, such as chess and Spanish for kids and adults. There are also classes where patrons pay by the month. One of those classes, pickleball, was being held at the community center, but has moved to The Station. Other monthly programs include Youth Art, Fit as a Fiddle, and Li'l Kids Crafts.
- Dance classes are now eight-week classes instead of only four weeks, to give participants more time to learn the dances and have a recital. Teen dance and adult tap dance classes were also added, although those classes did not make this time.
- Basketball is ending this weekend; Logan was extremely pleased with how well the season went. Participants and spectators followed COVID rules and guidelines. Men's Basketball League, Co-ed Volleyball and Youth Soccer begin in March.
- Board Member Porter asked how many teams are signed up for adult volleyball, what night games will be played, and what pickleball is.
- Logan responded that three teams are currently signed up for volleyball and games are played on Tuesday nights.
- Board Member Arvin added that pickleball is a cross between tennis and four-square; the ball doesn't bounce a lot and the court's not very big.
- Sue added that seniors love pickleball because it is low impact, and Brand Senior Center is planning senior games this summer and pickleball will be one of the tournaments offered.
- Board Member Vickers asked that on the monthly report, if an activity is free, if a sidebar of some sort could denote that the class is free. He also asked if the adult tap class is a tap dancing class.
- Sue responded that information about activities such as fees, total numbers attended, etc. will be included on the monthly report and yes; we were able to find an instructor to teach adult tap dancing.

**Agenda Item Number 5 being:**

ADJOURNMENT

**Board Member Mattocks motioned to adjourn the regular meeting of the Moore Parks Board, second by Board Member Payne. Motion passed unanimously.**


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

Nays: None

Absent: Washington


**The Moore Parks Board meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.**

RECORDED/TRANSCRIBED BY:



RITA CHADRICK, Administrative Assistant

FOR:



SID PORTER, Secretary

These minutes passed and approved as noted this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2021.