

ADVISORY PARK BOARD MINUTES

October 11, 2011

Item 1: Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Robert Groves. Committee members present were Marc Cerce, Robert Groves, and Mike McWilliams. Shane Dirk and Michael Foster were absent. City Administrator Rick Hess and Eric and Sam Gibson were also present. Eric brought his son Sam to view the park board meeting in order to fulfill his "Citizenship of the Community badge requirement for boy scout troop # 235.

Item 2: Public Input

No one signed up to speak.

Item 3a: Discussion and possible vote on September 13, 2011 minutes

A motion was made by Mike McWilliams to approve the September 13, 2011 minutes. The motion was seconded by Bob Groves. A roll call vote was taken with Marc Cerce aye, Shane Dirk absent, Michael Foster absent, Robert Groves aye, and Mike McWilliams aye.

Item 3b: Discussion and possible vote on September 22, 2011 minutes

A motion was made by Bob Groves to approve the September 22, 2011 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mike McWilliams. A roll call vote was taken with Marc Cerce aye, Shane Dirk absent, Michael Foster absent, Robert Groves aye, and Mike McWilliams aye.

Item 3c: Review of July 2011 financials

The July 2011 financials were reviewed by the Advisory Park Board.

Item 3d: Review of August 2011 financials

The August 2011 financials were reviewed by the Advisory Park Board.

Item 3e: Review of August 2011 checks and deposits

The August 2011 checks and deposits were reviewed by the Advisory Park Board.

Item 3f: Review of September 2011 checks and deposits

The September 2011 checks and deposits were reviewed by the Advisory Park Board.

Item 4a: City Hall Haunt Event

The City Hall Haunt will be held on Friday October 28, 2011. Robert Groves has contacted the Dickerson Park Zoo about bringing their menagerie of animals as they have done in years past. Bob reported that the setup responsibilities have been covered and asked the other APB members to help by attending the actual event. The fire department has agreed to supply volunteers as well. The biggest expense is the candy which will need to be purchased soon.

A motion was made by Marc Cerce to purchase candy in the amount of \$650.00 which would be an increase over last year's expense. The motion was seconded by Mike McWilliams. A roll call vote was taken with Marc Cerce aye, Shane Dirk absent, Michael Foster absent, Robert Groves aye, and Mike McWilliams aye.

A motion was made by Bob Groves to spend \$875.00 on decorations for this event. The motion was seconded by Marc Cerce. A roll call vote was taken with Marc Cerce aye, Shane Dirk absent, Michael Foster absent, Robert Groves aye, and Mike McWilliams aye.

Item 4b: Native American Education Event

The Advisory Park Board announces that the city of Battlefield will be hosting a Native American Cultural Day on November 19, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This event will be held on the grounds of the Cherokee Trail of Tears Park and will feature Mark Barger (Native American Style Floutist), Robert Tallbird (Northern Cheyenne Cree), and White Dove (Northern Cheyenne). The event will feature authentic Native American food, storytellers, wisdom keepers, gourd and straight dancers, drummers, singers, and speakers. Special guest "Aquila the Golden Eagle" (from the Dickerson Park Zoo) will be appearing from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Item 4c: Suggestion to Purchase a Generator

No action taken. This item will be discussed at the next APB meeting.

Item 4d: 5 Year Park Infrastructure Plan (Schedule special meeting to continue discussions)

No action taken. This special meeting will be scheduled via email communication which Bob Groves will send to the APB members.

Item 4e: Dedication of the City Parks—Rick Hess, Bob Groves

No action taken. This issue will be discussed further at the next APB meeting.

Item 4f: Cherokee Trail (Dedication)—Rick Hess, Bob Groves

No action taken. This event will be discussed at a future APB.

Item 5a: Basketball and Tennis Court Repairs—Bob Groves

Bob Groves reported that after inspecting the basketball and tennis courts there is a need for new nets, and breakaway rims as the backboards are bending.

Bob Groves has suggested a purchase of about \$130.00 total for both goals. \$19.95 for chain nets, \$34.95 break away rims. This will be a low cost solution.

Bob further reported that the cable that holds the tennis court net has two broken posts. As winter weather approaches water will be able to get into the cracked areas around these posts. The damage is most likely due to people sitting or walking on these cables.

Bob suggested the possibility of placing security cameras around this area to help prevent vandalism.

These items will be discussed further at the next APB meeting.

Item 6: Suggestions for the next meeting

A Special meeting will be scheduled to discuss the 5 Year Park Infrastructure Plan.

The next regular APB meeting will be held on Tuesday November 8, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

Issues to be addressed:

5 Year Park Infrastructure Plan (schedule special meeting)

City Hall Haunt: Review

Santa In The City Event

Dedication of the City Parks—Rick Hess, Bob Groves

Native American Education Event

Cherokee Trail of Tears Dedication

Suggestion to Purchase a Generator

Basketball and Tennis Court Repairs

Possible additions to the Butterfield Stage Park

Item 7: Adjournment

A motion was made by Marc Cerce to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Bob Groves. A roll call vote was taken with Marc Cerce aye, Shane Dirk absent, Michael Foster absent, Robert Groves aye, and Mike McWilliams aye. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 pm.

_____ Robert Groves, Chairman

_____ Date

ATTEST:

_____ Marc Cerce, Secretary

_____ Date