

## ADVISORY PARK BOARD MINUTES

January 8, 2013

**Item 1: Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Robert Groves. Committee members present were Marc Cerce, Shane Dirk, Robert Groves, Micheal Foster, and Mike McWilliams. City Administrator Rick Hess was also present.

**Item 2: Public Input**

No one signed up to speak.

**Item 3: General Business**

**Item 3a: Discussion and Possible Vote on October 9, 2012 Minutes**

Having been reviewed, the October 9, 2012 minutes were approved by the Advisory Park Board.

**Item 3b: Review of August 2012 Financials**

The August 2012 financials were reviewed by the Advisory Park Board.

**Item 3c: Review of September 2012 Financials**

The September 2012 financials were reviewed by the Advisory Park Board.

**Item 3d: Review of October 2012 Financials**

The October 2012 financials were not available at this meeting, but the November financials were available for review instead.

**Item 3e: Review of November 2012 Financials**

The November 2012 financials were reviewed by the Advisory Park Board.

**Item 3f: Review of December 2012 Financials (if available)**

The December 2012 financials were not available at this meeting. They will be reviewed at the next APB meeting.

**Item 4: Unfinished Business**

**Item 4a: Review of Second Annual Native American Heritage Cultural Day-October 13, 2012**

The event was scheduled at the same time as several other local events so the several of the participants have suggested holding this event during the first or second week of November. Robert Tallbird would like to hold a weekend celebration in May. He would like to invite

representatives from each of the seven Cherokee tribes to have a Native American dedication of the trail.

**Item 4b: Review of City Hall Halloween Haunt-October 26, 2012**

This event went very well. Set up was more difficult due to court scheduling and lack of help. The mayor has suggested focusing less on this event and more on Christmas. Some ideas discussed were having less time consuming decorations, hot cider, Dickerson Park zoo, a coloring contest, and of course lots of candy.

**Item 4c: Review of Christmas Decorations and Santa in the City-December 8, 2012**

The APB discussed having an evening event instead of a morning event. Some suggestions included large inflatables, professional lights, hot cocoa, a nativity set, a train, teddy bears, a hot cocoa vendor, candy canes, and Santa's workshop. Photos and a coloring contest would also be a part of this event as in the past. The date of this event will likely be December 14, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Another suggestion was to have a large Christmas Tree. Rick Hess added that to this idea by suggesting that this be a live growing tree that could be used annually. Additionally, the APB discussed some ideas for a grand entrance for Santa.

**Item 4d: Rescheduling of Dedication of the Cherokee Trail of Tears Park**

The dedication for the Cherokee Trail of Tears Park will be held on a date to be scheduled in May most likely the second or third week of May. It will be in a conjunction with the event held by Robert Tallbird.

**Item 5: New Business**

**Item 5a: Historical Memorabilia in the Park and Around the City**

A motion was made by Micheal Foster discontinue discussion of this item until the next meeting when a member of the board of aldermen (who generated this issue) may be able to be present to discuss this with the APB further. The motion was seconded by Marc Cerce. A roll call vote was taken with Marc Cerce aye, Shane Dirk aye, Micheal Foster aye, Robert Groves aye, and Mike McWilliams aye.

**Item 6: Suggestions for the next meeting**

**The next regular APB meeting will be held on Tuesday February 12, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Issues to be addressed:**

- a. Easter Event
- b. Native Tree Giveaway
- c. July 4<sup>th</sup> Planning
- d. Other Event Planning
- e. Park Dedication Event
- f. Park and City Historical Memorabilia

**Item 7: Adjournment**

A motion was made by Micheal Foster to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Shane Dirk. A roll call vote was taken with Marc Cerce aye, Shane Dirk aye, Micheal Foster aye, Robert Groves aye, and Mike McWilliams aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

\_\_\_\_\_ Robert Groves, Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Marc Cerce, Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_ Date