

**Cameron Park Board Meeting
Thursday, December 5, 2019
6:00 pm
Cameron City Hall**

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Members Present:

Matt Arndt
Al Briggs
Richard Whalen
Cory Brown
Wendy Copple
Jennifer Helmich

Members Absent:

Chairman – Jason Jones
Bill Gimson
Carrie Sybert

Others Attending:

Drew Bontrager
Steve Garr

Cory Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Approval of October 24, 2019 Minutes

Ms. Briggs made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2019 meeting; seconded by Ms. Copple. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 5, nays – 0, abstentions – 1, absent – 3.

Minutes of the Aquatic committee meeting on November 19, 2019
No comment

Minutes of the Park Land committee meeting on November 20, 2019
No comment

1. Public Participation

None.

2. Treasurer's Report

None.

3. Director/Foreman's Report

Drew Bontrager

A report was provided to the board. No discussion held.

4. New Business

A. Tree Board Creation and Proposed Tree Ordinance

Drew discussed with the board as acting as the Tree Board. One annual meeting will be held to satisfy the requirements for the status of Tree City USA. Discussion held.

Mr. Whalen made a motion to support the Tree Board USA draft ordinance; seconded by Ms. Briggs. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 6, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 3.

B. New Aquatic Facility Discussion

The sub-committee for the aquatic facility met on November 11, 2019. Andy Smith with Lamp Rynearson presented a PowerPoint to the committee including; cost, size and pool amenities. Discussion held.

Next meeting will be held on December 11, 2019.

C. New Community Park Discussion

The sub-committee for the new community park met on November 20, 2019. Austin Johnson with Bartlett & West discussed the different phases to fund the new park. Discussion included baseball fields, soccer fields, disc golf, play grounds, restrooms, concession stands, sidewalks for connectivity, splash mat, amphitheater, etc.

Bartlett and West will provide a cost outline to help make the decision on what can be funded in each phase moving forward.

D. Sales Tax Funding and Election Date

Drew stated the next election date is in April. The ballot will need to go before City Council on January 6, 2020. A spreadsheet was provided to the board of anticipated revenues from a ½ cent sales tax. In order to secure \$10.5 million in funds, the sales tax will need to be extended to 25 years.

E. Marketing of Aquatic Facility & Community Park

Drew has been working with Steve Rhoades from Vireo on options for marketing and social media monitoring for the aquatic facility and community park. Steve presented a detailed overview to the board. Discussion held.

5. Old Business

None.

6. Miscellaneous

Mr. Whalen stated work needs to be started in finding a new company to operate the pool for summer 2020.

Drew stated he hopes to have information available at the January meeting.

Mr. Whalen asked if the ice skate arena will be used this winter.

Drew stated at this time the arena will not be installed as there has not been a lot of public interest the last few years.

Mr. Whalen asked when the swings will be installed on the new playground.

Drew stated the swings can be installed now and a ribbon cutting can be held in the spring at a later date.

7. Executive Session

Ms. Copple moved to go into Executive Session at 6:43pm. Mr. Arndt seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following roll call vote. Park Board Members: "Aye" Matt Arndt, Richard Whalen, Al Briggs, Wendy Copple, Cory Brown and Jennifer Helmich. "Nay" Absent. Bill Gimson, Jason Jones and Carrie Sybert

The board entered into Executive Session. See attached Minutes.

8. Adjourn

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Briggs. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 6, nays – 0, abstentions –0, absent – 3.

The next scheduled meeting of the Park Board is December 11, 2019 at 6:00pm at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 pm.

Katherine Hahn

Secretary Recorder
Cameron, MO 64429

Minutes of the December 5, 2019 Cameron Park Board Commission approved on
_____, 2019.


Chairman Jason Jones