

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Cameron Park Board
June 25th, 2009
City Council Chambers, Cameron, Missouri

Item 1. Call to Order

Chairman Gimson called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

Members Present:

Chairman Bill Gimson
Rob Balliett
Phil Robinson
Matthew Archibald
Dr. Alan Lovejoy
Matt Jameson

Members Absent:

Carrie Whitaker

Others Present:

Drew Bontrager~ Public Works Director
Steve Garr ~ Parks Maintenance Foreman

Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 26th Meeting;
seconded by Mr. Jameson; Approved unanimously.

Item 2. Public Participation

There was none.

Item 3. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Bontrager gave the Board the revenue and expense report for the Pool and Parks for review. He also submitted to them the budget numbers for the next fiscal year including the available cash and the investment information.

Item 4. Director/Foreman Report

Mr. Bontrager stated that minimum wage would be raised in July. He stated that he and Mr. Garr would like to be able to give the summer employees a \$.25 per hour raise and also a raise to Doug Newell who works approx. 9 months of the year, however, has not received a raise in 3 years.

Mr. Garr stated that the summer help (Jeff Rooney and Shawn Skilling) have done a great job this summer and feels they are worthy of a raise as well as Mr. Newell though he was not sure how much of an increase the Board would like to allow for Mr. Newell.

Mr. Balliett made a motion to increase the summer helps salary by \$.25 per hour and to give Mr. Newell a \$1.00 per hour increase; seconded by Mr. Jameson; approved unanimously.

Item 5. Swimming Pool Report

The Water Dept. has been able to capture most of the water leaking out of the pool and have it filtered back into the pump to be placed back into the swimming pool. Although the location of the actual leak is still unknown, the amount of water now being lost is at a minimum.

Item 6. Skate Park Discussion

Mr. Bontrager presented the Board with the rules and regulations sign being created by Rex Whiteman that will be placed at the Skate Park. Sign includes all rules, regulations, curfews, and warnings to the Park, for Park Board approval.

Chairman Gimson questioned if any information had been able obtain from the insurance company as to whether or not bicycles would be allowed at the Skate Park.

Mr. Bontrager stated that after speaking to the insurance Company, there had been a previous misunderstanding and if the Board decided to allow bicycles; the insurance company would allow that.

Mr. Garr stated that many of the other community skate parks did allow bicycles and did not have a problem with it at the parks.

Chairman Gimson asked Mr. Garr if he felt it would cause an issue at the Cameron Skate Park if bicycles were allowed.

Mr. Garr stated that he did not feel there would be an issue by allowing the bicycles.

Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the use of bicycles on the Skate Park; Mr. Lovejoy seconded; approved unanimously.

*Mr. Jameson made a motion to accept the Skate Park rules and regulations as is; **with the addition to adding “bicycles” to these rules where applicable**; Mr. Archibald seconded; approved unanimously.*

Mr. Bontrager informed the Board that all of the Skate Park equipment would be delivered on Monday the 29th, and asked for any and all volunteers possible for the set up of the equipment on Tuesday the 30th. Set up to begin at 9am and continue until setup is complete. As Mr. Garr has been handling all contact with vendors for the Skate Park, Mr. Bontrager requests that all questions and volunteer help/info be sent to Mr. Garr.

Mr. Garr also stated that he and Mr. Bontrager have tentatively schedule 2 possible dates for the Grand Opening of the Skate Park; those dates being~ Tuesday, July 7th at 5:30pm, or Saturday, July 11th at 10:00am.

After a brief discussion Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve Saturday, July 11th, 2009 at 11am for the Grand Opening of the Skate Park; Mr. Balliett seconded; approved unanimously.

Mr. Garr told the Board that he had received several items to give away and also raffle at the Grand Opening; those including several T-shirts, boards, etc. All items are from American Ramp Co., and have their logo on them. Mr. Garr would like for the Board to approve the purchase of T-shirts for volunteers that have the “Cameron Skate Park” information on them.

Chairman Gimson stated that he felt it was a good idea to obtain shirts for volunteers and was fine with Mr. Garr and Mr. Bontrager handling the details of shirt designs and ordering.

Mr. Balliett made a motion for volunteer T-shirts to be purchased with Mr. Garr and Mr. Bontrager handling the details; Mr. Robinson seconded; approved unanimously.

Item 7. Old Business

There was none.

Item 8. New Business

Mr. Bontrager informed the Board that there are currently 2 open seats on the Park Board. The one previously held by Mr. Buck (who is now on the City Council) and also that of Mr. Van Brunt (now living outside the City Limits.) Mr. Bontrager stated that after publication in the newspaper about the current openings, there have been 2 resumes submitted. These resumes were submitted by Al Briggs and Krista Helton.

Chairman Gimson made a motion to approve both Al Briggs and Krista Helton for the open positions on the Board; Mr. Balliett seconded; approved unanimously.

Chairman Gimson and Mr. Jameson both expressed interest in wanting to continue on the Park Board after their terms expire in June.

All information for Briggs, Helton, Gimson, and Jameson to be presented to the City Council for final approval.

Mr. Bontrager stated that he would like for the Board to implement a Park Shelter/Special Events Form for the Community Shelters and Parks. He stated he would like to have a fee charged to use these areas, and also a list of rules and regulations that are to be followed when using these areas.

Mr. Jameson asked if it would be possible to have applicants make a deposit upon using these facilities and if not properly cleaned up after an event, for the deposit to be kept by the City.

Mr. Garr stated that was the intended purpose of the “Form”, mentioning how much time is put in by the Parks Dept for the “set up” and “clean up” of events that have taken place at the City Parks and Shelters.

Mr. Bontrager also mentioned that he had been contacted by Roxy and David Fry who would like to be able to use the ball fields and concession stands for a charity event sometime in late August, or early September. The City usually charges \$50 per field to mark the fields and the Frys have asked if the Park Board would waive this fee since it is an event for Charity.

Chairman Gimson stated that he knows the Board has waived this fee in the past for this event.

Mr. Archibald made a motion to waive the \$50 per field marking fee for the Frys Charity event; Mr. Balliett seconded; approved unanimously.

Item 9. Adjourn

Mr. Balliett made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Archibald seconded; approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

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