

CLAYTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMISSION MEETING

Monday, January 7, 2019
Center of Clayton, Meeting Room C

Members Present: Ira Berkowitz, Jim Craig, David LaGessee, Missy McCormick, Jeanne Most, Becky Patel, Eric Schneider, Jason Wilson & Mark Winings

Absent: Brad Bernstein & Melanie Tamsky

Also Present: Patty DeForrest, Dan Krewson, Toni Siering & Denise Ucinski

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the November meeting were approved as written.

Addresses from the Audience:

There were no addresses from the audience.

Parks & Recreation Capital Projects Update:

Ms. Patty DeForrest reviewed the Parks and Recreation Capital Projects Update with the Commission. (See attached presentation for all details.) The discussion included details about the following: explanation of the equipment replacement fund (ERF) and capital improvement fund, ERF funded facility projects for FY2019-FY2021, which are on three cycles, REF Funded Vehicles, which are evaluated annually, parks and recreation capital funding sources, how projects are prioritized and ranked, capital projects funded in FY18-FY20, and proposed unfunded projects.

Ms. DeForrest stated that the City of Clayton and the City of Brentwood are working through funding for the Brentwood Dog Park. The park could open as early as March 1. Park Superintendent, Mr. Justin Whipple and Brentwood's Park Superintendent, Mr. Marty Hunsucker have met to discuss the park, have developed plans for construction and completed preliminary work there.

The Tennis Center building is not currently in any Capital Plan. If funding becomes available for the Ice Rink project some work may be done to the tennis center at the time of construction. New projects that have been brought up include a skate park and an outdoor basketball court. These ideas will be discussed when preparing for the next Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Bike lane improvements on street are the responsibility of the Public Works Department.

Director's Report:

Ms. DeForrest reported that the ice rink has been very busy this season. Having a Groupon special makes a big difference in daily fee revenue. This season is looking better than past years. The Center of Clayton is also quite busy. The Recreation Manager position will be posed through Friday; Mr. Wayne Dunker moved to the City of Washington, Missouri Parks and Recreation as their Director. There were over 150 visitors at the Hanley House throughout the holiday season.

Old Business / New Business:

There will be some discussion in February regarding what the Commission is interested in having in the Master Plan. In March there will be a Center of Clayton presentation and potentially a Greenway presentation in April. Five members of the Major Gifts Committee had a meeting to discuss their plan of seeking donors for the Ice Rink Project. They are approaching the process from a different angle this time and are telling the story behind the facility.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:11 pm

Respectfully Submitted By: Denise Ucinski