

PARKS, FORESTRY, & RECREATION COMMITTEE Minutes

Date 4-17-23_

The regular meeting of the Platteville Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Committee of the City of Platteville was called to order by Jason Artz at 7:01 p.m. in the Police Station Public Service Room.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jason Artz__X__, Don Francis__X__, Erin Ihm__X_____, Suraya Strobl__X__, Cindy Tang__X____, Victoria Hundhausen_____, Brian Whisenant_____

Staff in Attendance: Robert Lowe__X__

Members of the Public:

Jaylynn Benson, UWP Student observing.

Sam Hernandez UWP Student observing

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Erin Ihm to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2022 meeting, seconded by Suraya Strobl, Motion carried.

STAFF UPDATE Given on:

- a. Armory Transfer Update.
-Members were updated regarding the transfer of the Armory to RFK Armory LLC. The Armory will host Parks activities throughout the year. It will also be the new home to Head Start and ARDC food preparation.
- b. Scouts with Park Projects.
-Members were updated on the two new projects that local scouts will be working on. First is a Girl Scout project that will be adding benches to the new area playground at Legion. The second is a Boy Scout project that will be adding launch tpads at Westview frisbee golf course.
- c. Friends of Park Celebration.
-Members were updated on the event that was held at the Broske on February 23rd. Despite the weather it was a good turnout with many coaches, donors and council members in attendance. The theme was to educate the public and recognize those many volunteers needed to keep all these the things going in parks.
- d. Senior Center relocation
-Staff gave an update on the progress of the remodeling of the former police station located in City Hall. The drywalling is all done as well as the painting. Next step will be the carpeting. Anticipated move will be late May early June.
 1. Senior Center had a garage sale on redundant and unused items. It raised a little of \$2000.
- e. Broske
- Members were updated on the events comparison and the reorganization of the staff. It is having a positive affect on the ability to organize and keep the Center operating as self sufficient. Member Tang asked if staff could prepare financials to be presented at the May meeting.

f. Activities update.

-Members were updated on PYDS signups. All age brackets are full for softball and baseball. Parks staff has added a tball summer session as well and are excited to get that going in our improved Rookie field area of Legion.

New Business

Members were updated on soccer program improvements planned. Which include a t-shirt size request with the online signup. Members also got to see the field layouts for this upcoming season. Which will be temporary while the High School completes its field renovations.

OLD BUSINESS

Members were updated on the Burbach Aquatics proposal for the PFRC pool water tightness evaluation. Many members expressed the hope that the testing would reveal the issues of the enormous water usage. The hope was the test can be completed prior to the anticipated date of June 6.

NEXT MEETING – Monday, May 15, 2023 7:00 p.m. in the Police Station Community Room.

Motion to adjourn by Cindy Tang seconded by Suraya Strobl. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm
Minutes by Robert Lowe