

PARKS, FORESTRY, & RECREATION COMMITTEE Minutes

Date October 16, 2023_

The regular meeting of the Platteville Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Committee of the City of Platteville was called to order by Cindy Tang at 7:00 p.m. in the Police Station Public Service Room.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jason Artz__X____, Ari Ihm__X____, Suraya Strobl__X____, Cindy Tang __X____, Victoria Hundhausen_____, Debi Sigwarth__X__, Lucas Dresden_____

Staff in Attendance: Robert Lowe__X__ Clint Langreck ____

Members of the Public:

Barb Stackhausen; Paul Maslche

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Discussion was held by committee members and staff regarding pickleball at the Armory, now owned by RFK Armory LLC.

Discussion was held regarding yoga for seniors and possible locations for that.

Discussion was held regarding the ordinance prohibiting dogs in certain City parks. Committee member Tang suggested it be explored of possibly having the option on the permit application to request it be permissible to allow dogs at an event. Staff will look into that option and report at the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Suraya Strobl to approve the minutes, with the correction of an error made in the spelling of Suraya's name, from the September 18, 2023, meeting, seconded by Ari Ihm. Motion carried.

STAFF UPDATES were given on:

a. Dog Park Improvement

An update was provided by Director Lowe on the progress of improvements at the dog park. The updates included the water hydrant underground leak is now fixed, the hole has been covered with clean stone and then the entire surface surrounding the small shelter has had mulch put around it. It was suggested the flyer for the improvement be posted on the City website. Lowe also reported the under the fence weed control system has been ordered.

b. Jenor Park

Staff updated the committee on discussion regarding council members' discussion on improving the cross walk from Jenor Tower to Jenor Park. Committee Chairperson Jason Artz briefly discussed parking challenges and costs if a new crosswalk was going to be considered.

c. Activities

Staff reported winter rec activities have recovered from last year's numbers. Now that the City is once again able to utilize the Armory it has allowed activities like intro to sports and dance to have more participants.

II. New Business

III. Old Business

a. Leases on storage units at Legion.

Lowe reported that the City has reached an agreement with the Jaycees for a new lease. The City and the Jaycees will switch units giving the City some much needed space.

NEXT MEETING – Monday November 20, 2023 7:00 p.m. in the Police Station Community Room.

Motion to adjourn by Debbi Sigwarth and seconded by Suraya Strobl. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm
Minutes by Robert Lowe