

Community Land and Recreation Board Meeting

October 8, 2014

MINUTES

Meeting 107

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Roll was called by Tom Barnard. Members present were, Michelle Flamm, Laura Ozenberger, Adam Zink, Neil Davidson, Bill Noble, Chris Cardwell, William Gresham, Susan Robb and Kendall Welch / Liaison. Tom Barnard and Tim Blakeslee were present from the City. Phil Wassmer was absent with notice.

Adam Zink motioned to approve the minutes from Meeting 106. Neil Davidson seconded the motion. Motion approved 8-0

Public Input: None.

ACTION AGENDA:

Action Item 1. CLARB 14-107-01 –Phil and Erin Stump approached the Board to host the Synergy 5K Run / Walk in English Landing Park. The Synergy Run for Toys will be held on December 6th. The event is anticipating 100 runners/walkers. \$1 million dollar certificate of insurance will be required in addition to the \$300 event fee. Adam Zink motioned to approve the event. Laura Ozenberger seconded the motion. Motion passed 8-0.

Action Item 2. CLARB 14-107-02– Joe Fox expressed his desire to do return to English Landing Park for the Boss Cross Cyclocross Race. The desired date for the bicycle race would be December 13th. Mr. Fox will have the course stay clear from areas where fall seeding was completed. The course will be approved by staff before the race. A \$500 deposit will be required to reseed any worn areas from the race path. The event fee will be \$300 with a \$2 million insurance policy. Adam Zink motioned to approve the event as stated. Bill Noble seconded the motion. Motion passed 8-0

Action Item 3. CLARB 14-107-03- The Winter Wonderland Initiative and Tom Hutsler

Tom Hutsler presented the idea of the Winter Wonderland Initiative going back into the park with one vendor doing various decorations in English Landing Park. He introduced Ron Adams, Scout Troop Leader of Pack 333. Mr. Adams has several outdoor decorations, approximately 65, mostly inflatable decorations that would be placed in English Landing Park for the 38 days of the Christmas season. The scout troop would be helping with donations and manning the decorations Thursday thru Sunday evenings. Adam Zink was concerned about the decorations being left out with tripping hazards from the decorations and the electrical cords while the park was unattended during off peak times. Tom Hutsler commented on still implementing cameras with staff approval. Kendall Welch mentioned that the security plan was supposed to be reviewed by today

and that it wasn't submitted to the City for review. Alderman Welch was concerned if the MSPA minutes represented the vision that was brought forth to tonight's CLARB meeting. Hutsler stated that the steering committee voted at yesterday's meeting for the current plan of 1 vendor. Zink stated that whether the MSPA approved the current plan or not that the plan is before the Board and was still concerned with the safety aspects of the plan.

Hutsler also discussed a plan for a 30' high steel Christmas Tree in the south parking lot between Main and East Streets. The tree would have a 12' base. City Staff would require a submitted safety and site plan before approval. Motion passed 7-1.

NON-ACTION AGENDA

- A. Discussion on a proposed revision to the Guidelines for Events in Parkville (2014) regarding vendor licenses.** Concerned event chairs were concerned over the requirement of business licenses for all the vendors doing long standing events in Parkville. Linda Arnold stated that fees and code requirements are already currently tough on artist and vendors to make a profit. A show of hands from CLARB showed all in favor of not charging vendor fees for 501C3 organizations.

- B. Discussion on a proposed revision to the Guidelines for Events in Parkville (2014) regarding the cost of parades.** Tim Blakeslee stated the current cost to the Police Department is between \$1500-\$2000. The Board discussed not having any new parades and if a new parade was presented that it should be computed at actual cost. The Board discussed the economic and benefit of community for having parades as an expected worthwhile and valued benefit of the community, which the group wholly supported. Board sentiment was that current parades shouldn't have additional fees.

- C. Discussion on Parks Division Capital Improvement Program (CIP).** Chris Cardwell felt that the items were in line with department needs. Items were discussed by staff to the Board for clarification.

Staff Updates on Activities:

Christmas Tree in Pocket Park – Danelle Nichols would like to move the annual Christmas Tree from the upper deck of Pocket Park to the concourse area below for better accessibility and viewing. Graden School will be helping with decorating the tree this year. There was no opposition to the change in location.

Prescribed Burn – Tom Barnard stated he has met with Platte County Parks and Missouri Department of Conservation on moving forward with the prescribed burn for the Johnson Grass in Platte Landing Park. Barnard said volunteers will be needed, but a short notice may have to be the case with favorable timing for optimum weather

conditions. A time in November will be best suited for the burn. Board Member Cardwell thought that the large concentration of Johnson Grass could be a valuable education experiment for the future control of the invasive grass. Susan Robb may be able to help with a volunteer base for the burn.

“Tree City USA”- Tom Barnard stated that Marshall’s Nursery in Kearney, MO has the best variety of trees for the dog park which was made possible by the Kansas City Power and Light Grant which was submitted earlier this summer. Barnard will arrange for delivery in late October.

Miscellaneous Items from the Board

Michelle Flamm suggested planning for possible bench locations and appropriate pricing in Platte Landing Park with that stage of development on the horizon.

Tom Barnard suggested discussing Outreach Grant ideas at our next meeting. Grant applications will be available after December 1 and deadlines will be January 30th, 2015. A canopy for the dog park entrance for shade and protection from the elements was an idea that was stated. Adam Zink suggested a chain link backstop versus nylon netting was also an idea that was mentioned for Grigsby Field. Playground equipment for Platte Landing Park was brought up for discussion, but consensus was to wait for the recreation phase of the park to begin before implementing. Neil Davidson thought that current dollar allocation from Platte County for the park would not be available for 2015. Also the question was asked how Platte County would be of assistance with recreation infrastructure.

Adjourn

Adam Zink motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 P.M. Neil Davidson seconded the motion. Motion approved 8-0.

Respectfully submitted: _____ Tom Barnard, Parks Superintendent

APPROVED:

_____Michelle Flamm, Chairman