

FAIRFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Board was conducted on Tuesday, September 15, 2015, at the Fairfield Community Arts Center. Chair Doug Meece called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM. Board Members in attendance were: Doug Meece, Bob Myron, Debbie Pennington, Craig Keller and Billy Smith. Board Member Dean Bruewer was excused. Staff members in attendance were: Bob Schappacher, Facilities/Operations Manager; Brad Williams, Operations Coordinator and Cyndi Kreke, Secretary.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING: The August 18, 2015 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR:

Harbin Park Project (Conceptual Architectural / Engineering Services RFP) Review: It was reported to the Board that staff is recommending Brandstetter Carroll Inc. for the conceptual architectural/engineering services for the William Harbin Park Renovation project. Three architectural/engineering companies were interviewed.

2016 Operating Budget Proposal: Bob Schappacher distributed a report (attached) to the Board members showing the Parks and Recreation Budget 2015/2016 Comparisons for review.

Marsh Park Expansion Public Input Session: Staff informed the Board members that the Marsh Park Expansion Input Session is scheduled for Thursday, September 24, 2015. The session will be held from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at the Fairfield Community Arts Center. Representatives from Kleingers will be present to unveil a preliminary program plan for Thomas O Marsh Park.

REPORTS OF AD HOC COMMITTEES:

City Council Update: Ms. Debbie Pennington stated that after much deliberation, City Council passed the Senior Citizen Housing project on Patterson Boulevard.

Ms. Pennington distributed copies of the Historical Society's "Cornerstones" newsletter. She also reminded the Board of the upcoming 60th anniversary of the City of Fairfield.

Planning Commission Update: Bob Myron reported that at the last Planning Commission meeting a group of residents from Stockton Station attended to discuss the "no basketball hoops permitted" in driveways for that subdivision. The group is in support of changing the rule to allow basketball hoops and gave a presentation to the Planning Commission. They will be returning at the next meeting to further the discussions.

Environmental Commission Update: Bob Schappacher updated the Board on the last Environmental Commission meeting. Bob reported that three members of the Environmental Commission will be attending the Tree Commission Academy that is being held in Hamilton Ohio on Monday September 21st and Tuesday September 22nd. Mr. Schappacher also reported that a honeysuckle removal program is planned for Harbin Park on October 24th. September 15th is the last day to purchase a tree for the Living Legacy tree program for a 2015 fall planting. There will be three additional trees that will be added to Creekside Park this fall.

Cultural Arts Advisory Commission Update: No report

Golf Course Ad Hoc Committee: Brad Williams informed the Board that the Golf Course Ad Hoc Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, September 22, 2015. The committee will be developing a 5 Year Business Plan for the Recreation Facilities Enterprise Account.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2015-07: Harbin Park Renovation Project / Brandstetter Carroll Inc.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

The Board meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2015, at the Fairfield Community Arts Center.

Cyndi A. Kreke,
Secretary