

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

City of Findlay

April 15, 2013

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Paul Schmelzer, Chair, Dennis McPheron, Greg Meyers, Bob Nichols, Gary Pruitt, Mike Slough.

Staff Present: Lu Draper, Matt Stoffel, and Kathy Launder.

Guests Present: Larry Brandstetter and Ray Delamott, Brandstetter Carroll Inc.; Tom Shindledecker; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Kuntz.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to accept minutes of the February 19, 2013, and March 18, 2013, meetings, by Nichols, second by Meyers. Motion passed 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Pool Feasibility Study Update: Larry Brandstetter of Brandstetter Carroll Inc. provided proposed concepts for a new swimming pool based on the feasibility study that was conducted. Two scenarios were given, one keeping the 50 meter competition pool and the other providing for a 25 meter competition pool. Brandstetter stated that the design concept that includes the 50 meter pool will cost approximately \$2.6 million to \$2.8 million. The design concept that includes the 25 meter pool will cost approximately \$3 million to \$4 million. The design concept that includes the 50 meter pool includes zero depth entry activity pool, water slides, existing sprayground with new water features, renovated existing bathhouse, no diving pool, flood wall. The design concept that includes the 25 meter pool zero depth entry activity pool, water slides, sprayground renovated existing bathhouse, diving boards, ability to keep facility open to the public when competition tournaments are being held. Once the project is approved, the timeframe of construction of a new facility is start in October and be completed by the beginning of the following year's swim season.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Recreation Department Report: Draper reported that the Diamonds are open. Registration deadline for Adult Softball is today. Mixed martial arts event was held at the Cube last weekend with 700 attendees; Starship concert is scheduled for April 20. The Cube is the home base for the Backyard Mission Trip. A Christian concert is planned. Ice will return to the Cube in May. We lost a ball tournament last weekend due to the flood and therefore, lost that revenue to the City as well as the \$250,000 economic impact to the region.

Parks Maintenance Department Report: Stoffel stated that the ball fields have been worked on. Ballfields at Swale Park still need done. Restrooms are opened in most parks.

OTHER REPORTS

Hancock Park District Report: Pruitt reported that they are planning their annual event, Nature Comes Alive. Students and teachers from multiple schools will participate in this event. HPD received 35 applications for the program manager position. The new person will begin on June 3. HPD is gearing up for new long term program planning. The plan will be for an eight year period. A focus group consisting of stakeholders will assist in the process. The process will begin in June 2013 and end in 2014.

OTHER BUSINESS

Emory Adams Walking Path: Mr. and Mrs. Andy Kuntz requested that distance markers be placed on the walking path around Emory Adams Park. The City hasn't talked about marking the paths for distances, but a sign was installed at the restroom building in Emory Adams Park that color codes the routes that mark the distance of each path.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board is scheduled for May 20, 2013, at 4:00pm in the third floor conference room of the Municipal Building.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Launder
City Clerk