

**KIRKWOOD PARK BOARD
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2015
KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER
111 S. GEYER ROAD, ROOM 202
MEETING MINUTES**

In attendance: John Baker, Steve Coates, Tom Riggs, Scott Stream, Kirk Hutchison, Kate LeGrand, Rick Bagy and Carol Gilster (via telephone)

Excused: Wallace Ward

Staff: Murray Pounds, Curt Carron

Park Board meeting convened at 7:05p.m., chaired by John Baker.

I. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mark Peters, 5435 Lions Den Spur, Imperial, MO. 63052

Mr. Peters told the Park Board members he has been volunteering at Emmenegger Park with the honeysuckle cutting and the group that he works with does an incredible job. From September through November the group has cut honeysuckle for 4 hours each Sunday. Mr. Peters said they could make tremendous progress with a chipper and asked if the Parks Department could buy one.

Curt Carron explained to Mr. Peters that the wood of honeysuckles is very tough and easily dulls power tool blades.

II. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 23, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Kirk Hutchison and seconded by Scott Stream to approve the February 23, 2015 Park Board minutes.

Motion approved.

Kate LeGrand abstained.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Emmenegger Nature Park User Policy Committee

There is a committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 19 at 8:30 a.m. in room 202 at the Community Center. Tamie Yegge, MDC Nature Center Manager will be at the meeting to help with developing a survey for Emmenegger Park users. The committee will discuss developing a mission statement for Emmenegger Park.

b) Sculpture Committee

John Baker attended a meeting of the Kirkwood Arts Commission Subcommittee on Public Art on March 10 at 5:00 p.m. John said there were 20+ people at the meeting. The Subcommittee is in the early stages. There were introductions and dates set for future meetings. They did some brainstorming concerning the sculptures that are being donated by the Marianist Gallery. The initial meeting was one

year ago. There was no commitment made at that time. The committee was given some criteria on the sculptures regarding safety. Some of the sculptures would not be suitable in a playground area because of climbing issues. The Parks Department does have to get back with Vianney and let them know we are interested in two of the sculptures and we need to know the next step. Murray Pounds and Mayor Art McDonnell will find out what the process is for obtaining the sculptures and will have an update at next month's Park Board meeting.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

a) Donation of Sculpture Pieces

This was discussed under Committee Reports.

V. NEW BUSINESS

a) Approval of Fiscal year 2015-16 park Fund Operating and Capital Budget

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to approve the Fiscal year 2015-16 Park Fund Operating and Capital Budget, including revenue of \$1,573,400 and expenses of \$1,630,982 and seconded by Tom Riggs.

Motion approved.

Carol Gilster abstained.

b) Approval of Re-Appropriation of Fiscal Year 2014-15 Capital Projects

Murray Pounds requested the Park Board add the Pedestrian Biking Trail Plan project to the capital projects list for \$9,305 in account # 201-5101-451-7509, Project PF1409.

Project Title	Project #	Account	Amount
Park Restroom Repairs	PF1508	201-5101-452-7503	\$99,087
Fishing Dock	PF1502	201-5101-452-7504	\$18,000
Greentree Prairie Plans	PF1310	201-5101-452-7509	\$3,280

\$120,367

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to approve the Approval of Re-Appropriation of Fiscal Year 2014-15 Capital Projects , totaling \$129,672 as listed in the packet. Motion seconded by Scott Stream with the addition of the Pedestrian Biking Trail Plan re-appropriation.

All approved unanimously.

c) Approval of Purchase of Single Axle Dump Truck

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to approve the purchase of a Single Axle Dump Truck under the Missouri Department of Transportation contract from Machens Ford in the amount of \$49,567 to be charged to account 201-5101-452-7505, project PF1606 out of the Fiscal Year 2015-16 budget, seconded by Scott Stream.

All approved unanimously.

d) Approval of Purchase of Snow Plow and Frame

Motion made by Tom Riggs to approve the purchase of a snow plow under the Missouri Department of Transportation contract from Knapheide Equipment for \$4,615 to be charged to account 201-5101-452-7505, Project PF16106, from the Fiscal Year 2015-16 budget, seconded by Scott Stream.

All approved unanimously.

e) Approval of FY0015-16 Goose Control Contract

Motion made by Kate LeGrand to approve the renewal of the goose management contract with Another Wild Goose Chase at the annual cost of \$4,700.00, seconded by Rick Bagy.

All approved unanimously.

f) Approval of 2015-16 Mowing Contract

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to approve the contract from MK Landscaping to provide mowing services in accordance to the conditions of Bid #108000 in the amount of \$25,000, seconded by Tom Riggs.

All approved unanimously.

g) Approval of 2015-16 Backhoe Lease

Motion made by Tom Riggs to renew the annual contract for the backhoe machine leased from Fabick Cat for \$9,400, seconded by Kirk Hutchison.

All approved unanimously.

h) Other Matters

Murray reported to the board the persons interested in donating a bench at Emmenegger would like to have it placed along the bluff overlooking the river. John Baker said the trails along the bluff might be appropriate. John asked the Park Board members if they would like to do a site survey with him at Emmenegger. John said this will be discussed more under Old Business at next month's Park Board meeting after doing a site survey.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS REPORT

The Maintenance Report for period February 24 through March 15, 2015 is included in the Park Board packet.

Curt went over the Walker Lake Phase 4 project. The project will probably be ahead of the scheduled completion date of mid-May. Landscape materials are a couple of weeks out yet. The cobbles that line the channels are proving hard to get. All comments regarding the project have been good.

The restrooms at Kirkwood Park should open by April 11 when the park season begins.

Curt also said he is down two people so his crew will be asked to step up and fill voids where necessary. Curt is in the process of taking applications for part time summer help, an additional park ranger and a seasonal horticulture assistant for the Special Business District. He has one crew member out for shoulder surgery and one crew member has resigned for another position.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Walker Lake update-This was covered in Curt Carron's Maintenance Report

Feasibility Study-The next step will be getting direction from City Council for cost estimates and the Theater downtown location. This will be discussed at the April 2nd City Council meeting.

On April 11, 2015 there will be a dedication to celebrate the installation of the accessible swing at 9:00 a.m. at the Kirkwood Park Playground. Park Board members are encouraged to attend the dedication if possible.

John Baker and Carol Glisters' term of office will be up in June 2015.

Rick Bagy and Kirk Hutchison have one more year left on the Park Board.

The nominating committee will let John Baker know the nominees for the Park Board openings.

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

It is confirmed the Kirkwood Rotary is going to put the bike rack they are donating at the interior lot that leads to the trails at the Emmenegger Nature Park.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Park Board Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Kirkwood Park Board is April 20, 2015.