



**KIRKWOOD PARK BOARD
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016
KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER
111 S. GEYER ROAD, ROOM 202
MEETING MINUTES**

In attendance: Rick Bagy, Tom Riggs, Steve Coates, Scott Stream, Kirk Hutchison, , Wallace Ward, Kate LeGrand, Kara Wurtz

Absent: David Hufford

Staff: Murray Pounds, Curt Carron

Park Board meeting convened at 7:05 p.m., chaired by Rick Bagy.

I. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Harriet Patton, 229 New York St.

President of the Meacham Neighborhood Improvement Association

Ms. Patton introduced Bobby Patterson, Chairman of the Meacham Park Homecoming Event and Janet Wade Jones, President of Moms of Meacham Park to the board.

Ms. Patton handed out to the Park Board members a list of Meacham Park Memorial Park Concerns.

Ms. Patton said the Meacham Park Homecoming will be on June 4, 2016. The people who live in Meacham Park take pride in their Park and want it to look good. Ms. Patton said she would like to see signs printed with "Pride in our Park" located in various areas around the park.

The list of concerns will be discussed at the Park Board meeting under New Business.

Bobby Patterson, Chairman of the Meacham Park Homecoming Event

Mr. Patterson said he would like to see Meacham Park look good for the Homecoming event on June 4, 2016. Mr. Patterson said Meacham Park is heavily used and the park is all some of the children that live in the Meacham Park

neighborhood have access to during the summer. The park has not had a facelift since the park was built in 2005.

Alan Hopefl, 12 Orchard Way

Alan said the prairie project at Greentree Park looks good. There is a noticeable difference with the honeysuckle at Emmenegger Park. The final week for honeysuckle removal is April 30th. The Kirkwood downtown islands look great.

II. APPROVAL OF MARCH 21, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Wallace Ward to approve the March 21, 2016 Park Board Minutes, seconded by Scott Stream.

All approved. Motion passed.

Kara Wurtz-abstained

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) None

There will be a meeting on May 5 at 8:00 a.m. to discuss Fillmore Park with the design team.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

a) Meramec River Flood Recovery

Murray Pounds reported he will be meeting with a representative from FEMA concerning the flood damage on April 19. The documents requesting reimbursement will be assembled and more information will be available regarding money for flood damage. Murray said he is encouraged that Kirkwood will be eligible for federal aid.

Kirkwood did have a separate policy for the Greentree Park Restrooms. The amount from the insurance that is being offered for losses to the Greentree restroom is just under \$13,000.00.

The report from Dave Derrick, the potamologist who reviewed our situation at Emmenegger Park is expected at the end of the week.

Relocation of lines at Emmenegger by Missouri American Water and possibly Laclede Gas was discussed.

V. NEW BUSINESS

a) Appropriation of Insurance proceeds for Greentree Park

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to appropriate \$12,982.00 from insurance proceeds for the Greentree Park restroom to Revenue Account 201-0000-392-2000 and appropriate the same amount to account 201-5101-452-7504, Flood Recovery Project, to fund repairs, seconded by Wallace Ward.

All approved unanimously. Motion passed.

b) Transfer of Funds for Flood Recovery Activities

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to transfer \$34,000.00 from account 201-5101-452-7503, Project PF1701, to account 201-5101-452-7504, Flood Recovery Project, seconded by Wallace Ward.

All approved unanimously. Motion passed.

c) Approval of Demolition Contract for Emmenegger Park Pavilion

Motion made by Tom Riggs to approve the contract with JTL Landscape in the amount of \$2,853.00 to be charged to the Flood Recovery Project in Account 201-5101-452-7504 and seconded by Steve Coates.

All approved unanimously. Motion passed.

d) Approval of Contract for Electrical Repairs in Greentree Park

Motion made by Kara Wurtz to approve the contract with Schaeffer Electric in the amount of \$10,586.00 for the Greentree Park electrical repairs to be charged to 201-5101-452-7504, Flood Recovery Project, with a contingency of \$1,500.00 seconded by Kate LeGrand.

All approved unanimously. Motion passed.

e) Approval of Safety Surface Resurfacing in Meacham Memorial Park

Motion made by Steve Coates to approve the proposal from Cunningham Recreation to resurface both playground areas at Meacham Park Memorial Park, for a cost of \$33,939.00 with cost assessed to account 201-5101-452-7504, Project PF1603, seconded by Tom Riggs.

All approved unanimously. Motion passed.

g) Other Matters

The list of Meacham Memorial Park Concerns was reviewed by the Park Board members in attendance.

- One of the most important issues is the basketball goals (backboards), basketball rims and nets need to be replaced.
- Murray is going to do some research on this and get back with the board next month.
- Playground surfacing replacement has been approved already.
- Tom Riggs is looking into additional bike racks for the park.
- The rusted spots for stairs, poles, fences, benches and other areas in the park will be looked at and reviewed.
- Basketball court gates need to be locked. The gates have been taken down because of vandalism and safety issues.
- Broken sprinkler heads. Curt reported 6-8 sprinkler heads have been ordered and will be installed when the system is energized.
- Flooding needs to be addressed in a couple of spots when it rains through regrading to be addressed after Homecoming.
- Maintain and upgrade all fittings on sprayground. Murray is going to discuss other sprayground options with Meacham Park residents.
- Pride in our Park signs, with phone number to report vandalism, maintenance issues. Issue will be discussed with residents to develop a design.
- Surveillance Cameras. Electric Department is providing us with these. The cameras will be recording, not streaming. Murray will get back with more information on this.

Scott Stream said he would like to see some procedures and a policy for use of surveillance cameras. Live monitoring by the police department was discussed.

Murray said he would like to see a work day scheduled in September for some of the work needed with Park crew, Park Board members and Meacham Park residents participating.

f) Election of Park Board Officers

President of the Kirkwood Park Board

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to nominate Scott Stream for President of the Kirkwood Park Board and seconded by Kate LeGrand.

All approved.

Vice President of the Kirkwood Park Board

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to nominate Steve Coates for Vice President of the Kirkwood Park Board, seconded by Kate LeGrand.

All approved.

Treasurer of the Kirkwood Park Board

Motion made by Kirk Hutchison to nominate Wallace Ward for Treasurer of the Kirkwood Park Board and seconded by Scott Stream.

All approved.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS' REPORT

The Maintenance Report for period February 23 through March 21, 2016 is included in the Park Board packet. Curt went over the report with the Park Board members.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- The Greentree Park Prairie project is going well. There will be a decision soon about expanding the planting area.
- Monroe Creek Project is completed.
- The economic feasibility study of the Community Center/Theater looks positive.
- We will continue the survey effort for Emmenegger Park with a report at the end of June.
- We have had a request for the football fields at Greentree for a grass volleyball tournament on July 16 and 17th from Gateway Region of USAVB. They will use 20-25 courts at the football fields. There will be 400-500 people attending. Gateway would provide the portable restrooms. There will be no ballgames during that time.
- Should be getting signage for the Sugar Creek Valley Trail April 30th.
- Preliminary assessment of the end of the year financials discussed. Revenue is \$1,590,515.00 with a Projected Fund Balance of \$1,351,885.00.

BOARD COMMENTS AND REPORTS

None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Kirk Hutchison made a motion to adjourn at 8:38 p.m., seconded by Steve Coates.

All approved unanimously. Motion passed.