

**Raytown Park Board  
Minutes  
May 20, 2019**

**Attendance:**

**Park Board:** Chris Rathbone, Terry Copeland, George Mitchell, Robbie Tubbs, Brent Hugh, Brian Morris, Loretha Hayden and Mike Hanna.

**Staff:** Dave Turner, Ron Fowler, Mike Conrad and Mary Ann McCormick

**Guests:** Damon Hodges, Jennifer Baird, Tony Jacobs, and Alderman Derek Ward

A quorum was declared present at 7:00 pm.

**Public Participation:**

Tony Jacobs – sales tax 1/8 cent – public would have a hard time approving an increase in tax when the roads are bad, the median are pretty but the roads are bad. Also, we are over lit in the office.

George Mitchell made a motion to approve the minutes from April 15, 2019. Dave Thurman seconded and the motion passed.

**Reports of Officers:**

**President** – Chris Rathbone stated the BOA on 5/7/19 did not accept our proposal on sales tax to increase ¼ cent; annual report per MOU needs to be submitted to BOA by 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in June and Dave Turner and I will work on that.

**Vice President** – Dave Thurman also attended BOA on 5/7/19, thanked Loretha for her comments. On 5/11/19 Dave observed filming at Rice Tremonti and the Raytown Live Concert. Thanked everyone for attending Arbor Day on 5/18/19 at Rice Tremonti.

**Reports of Standing & Special Committees:**

**Personnel** – no report

**Finance** – no report

**Program** – no report

**Buildings & Grounds** – no report

**Rice Tremonti** – Brian Morris stated that on 9/15/19, Rice Tremonti will officially celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary, they had \$240 in bread sales at Soup Festival, they have 42 rentals so far this year with a total of 50 last year. They have hired someone to repair root cellar and they will drill hole underneath driveway insert a pipe and fill with concrete to hold the wall up. Also, hiring a contractor to restore front porch with 6 pillars.

**BMX** – George Mitchell stated that BMX track made over \$7000 for the state weekend.

**Staff Reports:**

**Director** – a written report was distributed. The State Auditor will be in Raytown on 6/3 and will meet with BOA on 6/4. They will be auditing the books from December 2017 to December 2018, and it should take approx. 6 months. Staff will plan ribbon cutting at Southwood Park in June.

**Superintendent of Parks** – a written report was distributed. Thanked everyone for celebrating Arbor Day at Rice Tremonti.

**Recreation Report** – a written report was distributed.

**New Business:**

1. Mike Hanna made a motion to enter into a closed session at 7:27 pm for the following reason: 610.021(1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys. Brian Morris seconded and by roll call vote: Mike Hanna, Loretha Hayden, Brian Morris, Brent Hugh, Robbie Tubbs, Dave Thurman, Terry Copeland and George Mitchell all stating “yeah”, the motion passed.
2. Terry Copeland made a motion at 7:40 pm to adjourn closed session. Brian Morris seconded and by a roll call vote: Mike Hanna, Loretha Hayden, Brian Morris, Brent Hugh, Robbie Tubbs, Dave Thurman, Terry Copeland and George Mitchell all stating “yeah”, the motion passed.
3. Spending Project for 2019 budget year. Robbie Tubbs made a motion to get bids on fixing Kenagy Pond wall, lighting for Southwood Park and Wi-fi for Colman, Kenagy and Kritser Parks. George Mitchell seconded and the motion passed.
4. FY2019-20 budget – capital improvement will be Kenagy Tennis Court to refurbish and apply for Grant to help with costs and also siding parks office.
5. Mike Hanna made a motion to state that the Park Board would not support a sales tax issue that would give less money to the Parks Department. Terry Copeland seconded. George Mitchell made a motion to amend motion to state that Park Board would like to renew current sales tax issue at 1/8 cent with 75-25% split with Storm Water. Terry Copeland seconded the amended motion and passed. Vote was then taken on the original motion with amended motion and passed. Derek Ward stated that the Parks Dept. would be included in talks about bonds.
6. Loretha Hayden made a motion to adjourn. Terry Copeland seconded and the motion passed.