

**Raytown Park Board
Minutes
August 19, 2019**

Attendance:

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

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

Guests: Alderman Derek Ward, Alderman Greg Walter, Missy Wilson, Janet Emerson, Tony Jacob, Mindy McDaniel

Public Participation: none

A quorum was declared present and the meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Robbie Tubbs made a motion to approve minutes from July 22, 2019 as written. Terry Copeland seconded and the motion passed.

Reports of Officers:

President: Chris stated he went to Raytown Live on August 10th and not as big a crowd as last year; Arts Festival this weekend. Sales tax issue will be on BOA agenda tomorrow night to reword the sales tax issue for November ballot.

Vice President: Dave thanked staff for hard work done at the Raytown Live event on August 10th. Raytown Clean up Volunteers went to Kenagy and Southwood parks to pick up trash on July 30th.

Greg Walters made the following recommendations and/or suggestions to the Park Board that came from the Parks Improvement Committee:

- 1 Jeff Vance would pay to install and supply bollards.
- 2 Add more lighting to parks. Parks signed contract today ordering lighting.
- 3 Add gates to Colman Park. Manual gates - City would pay for material (steel) if Parks would build them or add electronic gates approx. \$50,000. City attorney told committee that City could block street with gates.
- 4 Hire private security.

Reports of Standing & Special Committees:

Personnel – no report. Has been attending Mayors Ad Hoc Committee meetings.

Finance – we are on schedule with budget.

Program – no report. Loretha has been attending Parks Improvement Committee meetings.

Buildings & Grounds – no report

Rice Tremonti - no report

BMX Report – George stated Harley gave him a list of priorities for the track.

Staff Reports:

Director – a written report was distributed

Superintendent of Parks – a written report was distributed

Recreation Report – a written report was distributed

New Business:

1. Parks Improvement Committee – discussion about Committee recommendations. George Mitchell made a motion not to exceed \$3,000 to have Homeland Security Protective Service patrol Colman and Kenagy parks 7 days a week and Kritser, Minor Smith and Southwood parks patrol on Friday and Saturday nights only from September 1, 2019 to October 31, 2019, and at that time evaluate their findings. Loretha Hayden seconded and the motion passed. Dave Turner to get more information on from insurance company on adding gates and/or bollards.
2. Mike Hanna made a motion to inform Heart of America Senior Softball League that they will need to limit type of bats players use or move their games to Little Blue Trace Park starting in September. George Mitchell seconded and the motion passed. Players are hitting balls over fence onto walking path and tennis courts.
3. Super Splash appraisal. Received appraisal from Bliss for Super Splash with a Market Value of \$425,000. Buildings & Grounds will meet August 26th at 6:30 pm to discuss this and come up with plan of action.
4. FY2019-20 Budget. Updated Park Board on a couple of budget changes.
5. Speed Bumps – Dave talked with Tony Mesa from Public Works and he stated that they are horrible on vehicles, especially if you drive over them more than once a day like park employees would do with park vehicles and our personal vehicles. Cost would be approx. \$6,000 to \$12,000 to install.
6. Terry Copeland made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:42 pm. Dave Thurman seconded and motion passed.