Approved

JOPLIN PARKS & RECREATION

ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

March 8, 2016
5:00 PM
Joplin Memorial Hall
212 West 8th Street
Joplin, MO 64801

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Edwin Mwangi, Dustin Parker, Harvey Hutchinson, Paul Teverow and Aaron Doll were present.
ABSENT:	Josh DeTar and Jennifer Martucci
GUESTS:	Scott Garrie, Parks and Recreation Director Paul Bloomberg, Parks and Recreation Assistant Director Ryan Stanley, Liaison Daryn Buholt, Golf Pro
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:	Aaron Doll called the regular meeting to order.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	Dustin Parker made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Paul Teverow.
OLD BUSINESS:	Scott handed out Outdoor Smoke-Free Policy (Attached) He said he would work on a draft and bring to the next meeting before we present this to council. Ryan said he understands what Aaron is trying to do but if you take it to city council with no designated areas then he doesn't see the city council approving it. Scott said he would making one with no designated areas and then a backup with designated smoking areas. Scott did mentioned that there would be selected areas that would not be in the Smoke-Free Policy such as the Golf Course. Dustin said he would like to see parks and recreation go smoke free but if the designated areas helps pass the smoke free policy then he

would like to see certain areas blocked off for smoking.

NEW BUSINESS:

Scott handed out Joplin Parks and Recreation Donation and Memorial Policy. (Attached) He mentioned that if you rent Memorial Hall right now the cost is $1,000 but you get the day before for set up and the day after for cleanup at no additional charge. He said this is taking away from availability of renting the building. He also mentioned that the cost is the same for everyone and we need to look at making some changes. He said he would work on getting a new draft together for profit and nonprofit and renting the facility during regular business hours and bring it to the board next month. Dustin mentioned that $1,000 for renting Memorial Hall is cheap and if you rented any other building the same size for that price. Scott said he is just looking at different options to maximize the revenue and rental of Memorial Hall. Paul told the board that he met with Al Zar today which is a big promoter. He is wanting to meet with Paul and Scott and go over some of the pricing that he has seen places charge. He told Paul that they should be charging for spot lights, utilities, staff, cleanup, and renting the building. Ryan mentioned that the money raised at Memorial Hall should stay with the facility and not back into general funds.

Scott handed out the Memorial and Park Policy (Attached) He mentioned to the board that we need to come up with a better way to manage donations and memorials. We have gotten a lot of calls about doing memorials in the parks and we don't want to turn the parks into cemetery/memorial parks. We have Cunningham Overlook that was designed for those lost in the tornado.

He also stated that he has come across the 501c3 fund "Friends of the Park" and he is waiting to figure out more details about it. This is a way for people to donate and their money can go towards the parks.

He told the board that the Org Chart did pass and that it would take place on March 7th. The golf course equipment passed and the equipment is already coming in. Scott said he has already received compliments on the greens. Daryn said that this is the best February ever and he was $20,000 over from last year. Scott mentioned that the new superintendent has been hired for the golf course and he has a degree in Turf Management.

Paul mentioned the two nights of bull riding went really well. He told the board that we made $2,500 in concessions, $2,500 in beer sales and got $200 donated to "Friends of the Park." He said the guys hosting the bull riding were very pleased and said they would be back next year around the same time.

Paul told the board that the MMA fights will be here March 19 at Memorial Hall and that same night we are also having our Flash Light Easter Egg Hunt at Gene Baseman Softball Complex.

He said that Daddy Daughter Date Night was great both nights. We had over 500 people total attend the event. He said that this summer we are going to try and do a Mother-Son event at the pool.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS: None

MONTHLY REPORTS: Scott asked the board if they would be ok with him just bringing finance reports quarterly instead of monthly. The board all agreed that they were fine with looking over the finance reports quarterly.

ADJOURNEMENT: Edwin Mwangi made a motion to adjourn, second by Justin Parker.

Nakia Osborne, Senior Clerk