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JOPLIN PARKS & RECREATION

ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

July 12, 2016
5:00 PM
Joplin Memorial Hall
212 West 8th Street
Joplin, MO 64801

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Jennifer Martucci, Aaron Doll, Josh DeTar, Harvey Hutchinson, and Paul Teverow were present.
ABSENT:	Edwin Mwangi, Dustin Parker
GUESTS:	Scott Garrie, Parks and Recreation Director Paul Bloomberg, Parks and Recreation Assistant Director Ryan Stanley, Liaison Carla Bond, Marketing Manager Daryn Buholt, Golf Pro
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:	Aaron Doll called the regular meeting to order.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	Paul Teverow made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Josh DeTar.
OLD BUSINESS:	Daryn told the board that Ozark Amateur went really well and got lots of compliments on how well the course is looking. He said last year they had about 115 people and this year was about 135. We are improving and with the nice greens the complements and people talking about the course will help us with business. Ryan told Daryn that once he has numbers to show he needs to go to council and let them know what kind of success he is having with leasing the equipment and how well the greens are looking. Ryan said he hasn't heard any back on anything that Daryn is doing we just need to get him the resources he needs to keep improving the Golf Course. Aaron asked Daryn to

get his resources together for next meeting and present it to the Park Board first that way they can have say before taking it to Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

Aaron told the board that Scott is leaving. Scott thanked the Park Board and Ryan for all their support on the board. He told them to just keep trying and pushing to get things which won't be easy but we have to have it in the Parks Department.

Aaron asked Scott if he sees more resources for Mercy Park. Scott said no and that he has asked at least six times now and still hasn't got a response.

Josh asked Scott if we still have money in the storm water tax account. Scott said there is money left in that account but he is being told the finance report that he gets is not accurate. Aaron asked Paul to get with the finance department and find out for sure how much money is in that account and he would like an update on it in next month's meeting.

Aaron asked how everything was going with the Joplin Blasters. Paul told the board that he got a call from the Neighborhood Services the other day because the neighbors are complaining how bad the outside of the field is looking. Neighborhood Services said if they didn't take care of it by Wednesday they would have to come in and do it and then bill them which would be $150 per lot. The blasters have 8 lots.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Paul told the board that the 4th of July Celebration went really well. We had about 5 games that we set up, a lady that was doing face paint, affordable rental brought 8 inflatables, had a few food venders, a band, and the firework show lasted 20 minutes. He said the only complaint he had was that getting out of the parking lot took too long. He said he timed it and the parking lot was empty within 45 minutes which he didn't think was too bad. Paul said he has some ideas though for next year to try and make it a little faster. We will also be trying to get some sponsorships and more vendors for next year. Paul Teverow said he went and the show was really good and was nothing compared to last year it was so much better.

Paul mentioned that the pools are coming to an end for the season. Ewert Pool's last day is August 7th, Cunningham Pool's last day is August 14 but only open Saturday and Sundays after August 7th, and

Schifferdecker Pool's last day is September 5th but only open Saturday and Sundays after August 7th. He said that Schifferdecker Pool is closed this weekend due to the USA Swim meet.

He told the board that Premiere baseball comes to town next week. He said they will start working on Joe Becker Stadium Monday. We have a lot of work to get done on the stadium so it's ready to go. He also said he would be bringing in their own concession stuff because they will not use their concession.

Paul said they have a new Aqua Zumba instructor named Whitney Oaks and she has been doing a great job. Last week she had about 23 people in her first class and it just increases each week.

He also said they are on session 2 of swim lessons and he has only heard great compliments on how well the swim lessons are going.

Paul mentioned that Lego Camp is full. The cost was $125 for the week and they will get to take a Lego set home with them every day. He said that we are up $86,000 in recreation from this time last year.

MONTHLY REPORTS: None

ADJOURNEMENT: Harvey Hutchinson made a motion to adjourn, second by Josh DeTar.

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