

Park Board Meeting – July 26, 2023

7:00pm

Warrensburg Community Center – Room BC

445 Gay St, Warrensburg, MO 64093

1) Call to Order

Jason Duffey called to order the regular meeting of the Warrensburg Parks & Recreation Board at 7:03pm on July 26, 2023 at the Parks & Recreation Department, 445 E Gay St.

2) Roll Call

Carrie Battles conducted a roll call. The following members were present: Jason Duffey, Ernest Graydon, Brandon Campbell, Erica Collins, Dawn Gauvin, Joshua Greene, Travis Hume, Claude Owen.

The following members were absent: Shawnacy Johnson

Others in attendance were:

Chris Deal, WPR Director

Brandon Maberry, WPR Business & Information Specialist

Carrie Battles, WPR Office Manager

Morgan Hebensperger, WPR Recreation Supervisor of Programs & Events

Corbin Gant, WPR Recreation Supervisor of Fitness

Enrico Villegas, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director, City of Warrensburg

Dave McCannon, Public Works

Chris Armstrong, WPW Indoor Crew Leader

Blake Claas, WPR Shift Leader

3) Approval of Agenda

Joshua Greene moved to approve the Agenda. Ernest Graydon seconded. Jason Duffey – Yes, Ernest Graydon – Yes, Brandon Campbell – Yes, Erica Collins – Yes, Dawn Gauvin – Yes, Joshua Greene – Yes, Travis Hume – Yes, Claude Owen – Yes Approval: 8-0

4) Approval of Minutes

Erica Collins moved to approve the June 28, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Dawn Gauvin seconded. Jason Duffey – Yes, Ernest Graydon – Yes, Brandon Campbell – Yes, Erica Collins – Yes, Dawn Gauvin – Yes, Joshua Greene – Yes, Travis Hume – Abstain, Claude Owen – Abstain. Approval 6-0

5) Announcements

Chris Deal had no announcements.

Jason Duffey welcomed the new members to the Park Board; Travis Hume & Claude Owen.

6) Employee Appreciation Award

Blake Claas was recognized as an outstanding employee by Carrie Battles. Blake has worked for Parks & Recreation since July 2020. Blake has worked as a concessions attendant, site supervisor, sports official, front desk attendant & shift leader. Carrie stated that Blake has been a great shift leader & assists with special projects as needed.

7) Committee Reports

a) Finance Committee Report

Joshua Greene noted that Chris Deal has provided a detailed financial report to the Board and not much has changed since last months discussion regarding the budget. Chris noted there are no major concerns at 9 months into the fiscal year. There were no questions on the finance reports.

b) Building & Grounds Committee Report

Jason Duffey noted that Buildings & Grounds did not meet.

c) Recreation Committee Report

Ernest Graydon noted the Recreation Committee discussed the upcoming Turkey Trot 5K Race scheduled for November, he stated that there is a new aquacise instructor and that Fall sports registration has started. Corbin stated that he passed his Certified Strength Conditions Specialist test. The Board congratulated Corbin on his certification. Morgan stated that Summer Day Camp enrollment continues to grow each week and stated that camp is going well. Brandon provided an update on sports in Josh's absence. Brandon stated that Josh is still checking into having NBA basketball for this sports season.

d) Administration Committee Report

Erica Collins reported that the Finance Committee had a combined meeting with Administrative Committee to discuss budget and finances.

8) Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

9) New Business

No new business.

10) Director's Report

Chris reported the outdoor lap pool & lazy river motors and pumps were replaced. The old motors & pumps were refurbished, so we have backup for the lap pool. He stated that the pickle ball court project is underway & will be able to be completed within the \$10k donation from the Whitworth Foundation. Chris noted that 5 of the new park entrance signs have been installed by Public Works. Scott Holmberg is taking the lead on finding future volunteers and/or community

groups for landscaping around the signs. Chris stated that interviews for the Park Superintendent position will take place during the next week. Chris stated that we need to move the Park Board meeting for August to the 23rd instead of the 30th due to City Council first reading of the budget is scheduled for August 28th.

11) Appearances to the Park Board not listed on the Agenda

No appearances to the Board.

12) Park Board Comments

Jason Duffey presented a plaque to Erica Collins to thank her for her dedication to the Park Board as President for 3 years. Erica Collins reiterated the importance for the Park Board members to attend the Park Board meeting on August 23, 2023. She stated that the Park Board will need to approve the budget for next fiscal year. Erica congratulated Corbin on his certification & noted how well he did in updating the fitness floor with new equipment. Erica also thanked Brandon & Morgan for working through a solution to service a family in need recently. Erica thanked Public Works for their partnership with Parks & Recreation. Joshua Greene thanked Ernest Graydon for accepting the Vice President nomination. Josh also welcomed our new Park Board members.

13) Adjournment

Joshua Greene moved for adjournment. Erica Collins seconded. Jason Duffey – Yes, Ernest Graydon – Yes, Brandon Campbell – Yes, Erica Collins – Yes, Dawn Gauvin – Yes, Joshua Greene – Yes, Travis Hume – Yes, Claude Owen – Yes Approval: 8-0



Jason Duffey, President



Submitted by Carrie Battles

