MEMBERS PRESENT: Josh DeTar, Kreg Selvey, Paul Teverow, Edwin Mwangi, Chalise Cooper, Dustin Parker, Brad McIntyre were present.

ABSENT: Christina Williams, City Council Liaison

GUESTS: Paul Bloomberg, Parks and Recreation and Director Carla Bond

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Josh DeTar called the regular meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Paul Teverow made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Dustin Parker.

OLD BUSINESS: Paul told the board that they went back to City Council Monday night for the Ewert Pool Study. A question was asked when and how long the ice skate park could be open. The Ice Skate Park would be right after Thanksgiving – February. We would have admission for the Ice Rink, it’s recommended to be $3.00 for admission and $4.00 for skate rental. The Splash park could open before Memorial Day Weekend. Another project in Ewert Park, funded though the parks stormwater renewal would be a multi-purpose covered sport court. We would convert the tennis courts and make it a multi-use court. One thing that came up about taking the tennis courts out, is that we only have two other free courts. Paul mentioned that we have already discussed opening the ten courts up at the Complex for free. We do still have Carl Junction High School tennis team and the College Height tennis teams so we would just have to close the courts when they have games.
Paul said that the operations of Memorial Hall Study is being looked at by Finance Oversight Committee which consists of five members. They will be looking at the revenue and expenses. They meet every two weeks. They will report back to City Council by May.

The Parks Master Plan, presented by Landworks Studio, went to City Council, and went well. Several projects were presented such as, the Dover/Ozark Outdoor Recreation area, which consist of 95 acres of land. This would include a Children’s Bike Park, Pump Track, Mountain Bike, single Track, parking lots, and restrooms.

Paul said that we will be opening the bid for Landscaping Maintenance Services on March 17th. We originally did this RFP before Covid. Joplin Workshop won the bid but because of Covid we had to hold off. He said they will be bidding on the project again, along with others hopefully.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Paul mentioned that the parks crew has been working on trying to clean up areas where homeless are camping out. He said they just cleaned an area on the southside of Ewert and an area at Leonard Park by the railroad. We now have an area of homeless living in Parkway Cemetery woods. He said the maintenance and public works cleaned up an area by the Train Depot. Paul said he would really like for the parks crew to get one or two employees to work from 3pm-11:30pm for park labor/security. This way they can continue park duties and lock up bathrooms in the evenings. He mentioned that our Parks crew is on a 10-day mowing schedule. He said that we have money in the current storm water that he would like to see more security lighting and cameras in Mercy Park, Ewet Park, and Cunningham Park. This would need to be approved by City Council.

He told the board that City Council selected 22 citizens for a committee to help select Parks Storm Water projects. They will present their final recommendations in May to City Council. Parks will give their presentation in a few weeks to the committee.

Paul said that he signed off on a new sculpture for Mercy Park. (Attached) It is called the Bridge of Brotherhood. This will be placed in the park in late May-early June. This will make the thirteenth sculpture in the park. He said that they will meet later
next week to try and determine a location for the sculpture. He also told the board that a parks worker noticed that some of the tiles on the butterfly mural were loose. They removed the tiles and have contacted Paul Whitehill who did the tile work originally. They believe this happened because of the extremely cold weather that we have had recently.

He also told the board that he is working on a Special Event and Park use agreement form We are starting to get more interests in Park events and currently we do not have any fees for event organizers to use our parks. We have people interested in doing Truck/Car shows, Firework demonstration, and Art Festivals. Once he has a draft written, he will present it to the Parks Board for approval.

We have the new playground going in at Landreth Park. This will be our second inclusive playground. It will have ramps, so wheelchairs can access the playground. We are also replacing some playground parts at the Athletic Complex playground.

The Disc Golf Course is almost complete. Still need to pour 30 small pads and put up the tee-posts with signage. We are also installing an 18-hole disc golf course at Landreth Park. This course was originally at Dover Hill Park. But since a new school is being built there we needed to move the course.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Paul handed out Schifferdecker Golf Course report. (Attached) They are still doing well even though we had a few weeks of bad weather. We are still up over 600 rounds from last year. We have had two tournaments soon and have a few coming up.

ADJOURNEMENT:

Brad McIntyre made a motion to adjourn, second by Kreg Selvey.

Nakia Osborne, Accounting Specialist
Meetings / Trainings

- Master Plan
  - Carla attended the Master Plan Strategic Planning Meeting on January 13 with other internal stakeholders from our department and other City offices.
  - Carla welcomed attendees at public meeting #3 at the Museum on January 27.
- Ashley, Alina, and Carla visited the Elevate the Game sports complex on January 19 to tour the facility and discuss possible future opportunities.
- Alina, Ashley, and Carla met with the Parkwood Tournament, LLC group on January 21 to discuss concession operations for the 2021 season.
- Carla and Paul have been working on the City rebranding project. It looks that our (Parks and Recreation) logo will be changing with the City rebrand. More information is to come in the following weeks.
- Meetings for the Earth/Arbor Day Celebration started in February and will continue over the next several months. The event is scheduled for October 2, 2021.
- Paul, Carla, and Jessica met with the Health Department Director on February 5 regarding COVID guidance and 2021 pool operations.
- Carla attended a virtual MPRA training on February 10.
- Carla, Ashley, and Jessica attended a kickoff meeting for the Joplin Physical Activity Plan. The goal of the plan is to improve the physical activity of residents across the Joplin area. Several sectors are involved, including education, faith, healthcare, infrastructure, etc. Our Department will lead the "Parks and Recreation" sector. A similar program has been implemented in Kansas City. www.kcphysicalactivityplan.org
- Internal meetings have began to discuss the Parks and Stormwater Tax Renewal.
- Jessica is in discussion with the Berzerker Swim Team about contracting out our swim lessons for the 2021 season.

Concessions

- 2021 Concession Locations & Opening Dates
  - Soccer - opens March 13
  - Schifferdecker Aquatic Center - opens Memorial Day weekend
  - Cunningham Aquatic Center - opens Memorial Day weekend
  - Ewert Aquatic Center - opens Memorial Day weekend
- Alina has been inventorying concessions that Parkwood, LLC will be operating
- Alina has been working on coordinating cleaning, inventoring, and stocking soccer concession
Recreation Report
March 2021

Programs

Youth Sports

Little Dribblers
January 5, 12, 19, 26
6:30 pm
Age: 3-4 year olds
Memorial Education
Center Gym
Cost: $38/child

Register by December 22 at 417-625-4750
or at joplinparks.org

Little Dribblers Basketball

- 30 preschoolers completed the program
- The program was held at the Memorial Gym. Staff are going to search for an alternate location due to space limitations at this location. Bleachers are unavailable and many attendees have their extended families attend, which makes for a very crowded gymnasium.

Youth Soccer Leagues

- 626 players are enrolled
- Another 43 players are on waiting lists
- 21 team sponsors

- The highest enrollment we have had for soccer prior to this season was 485 players.
- 6/8/10U leagues are all at capacity
- Practices begin next week; games at the end of the month.

Upcoming Youth Sports Programs

- Little Soccer Kickers
  - Week of April 6
- Little Hitters
  - Week of May 20
- 5/6U T-ball
  - Week of June 1
- British Soccer Camp
  - Week of June 14
Programs

Adult Sports

ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE
CO-ED COMPETITIVE TUESDAY EVENINGS
CO-ED RECREATIONAL WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
MEMORIAL EDUCATION CENTER GYMNASIUM
$240/TEAM

Adult Volleyball League

- 6 teams enrolled (max capacity)
- The program was held at the Memorial Gym. This location is fine for this program, but we have to limit the number of teams because we are restricted to one night of play due to other school-sponsored programs in the gym.

SPRING ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES
SEASON STARTS WEEK OF MARCH 22
$275/TEAM
Mondays: Men's Bronze & Silver
Wednesdays: Coed Bronze & Silver
Register by March 15 at www.joplinparks.org or call 417-625-4750.

Adult Softball Leagues

- Registration ends Monday, March 15
- Currently 22 teams enrolled
- $275/team
- Monday: Men's Leagues
- Wednesday: Coed Leagues

ADULT SOCCER LEAGUE
Wednesday Evenings Starting April 7
$310/team
Register at www.joplinparks.org or call 417-625-4750.

Adult Soccer League

- Registration ends Monday, March 31
- Currently 1 team enrolled
- $310/team

We have received several messages from those interested in participating saying they will register.

Ashley is also researching offering a "Yoga in the Park" program at Mercy Park. Details, including registration, is still being ironed out.
Programs

Programs & Events

RecCreation Activity Kit

Monthly Themes

Suggested For Kids 4+

Unplug | Play | Create | Learn | Build

Visit joplinparks.org or call 417-625-4750 to register for your kit!

RecCreation Activity Kits

- Registering on average 24 kits/month
- $10/kit

- We will continue to offer this kit as long as we have interest. It has received a lot of media coverage over the past few months.

Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt

- Limited registration numbers for social distancing purposes
- Space for 40 in each age group (3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10)
- Enrollment is open until the day of the hunt or until the age group is full. Currently 65 kids are registered.

Outdoor Kids Garage Sale

- Originally was going to have the program in March. Staff moved it to April in hopes of warmer weather.

- Currently 5 vendors are registered.
Aquatics

Lifeguard / Pool Staff Recruitment

- The number of facilities we open is dependent on the number of staff we hire. Goal is all 3 facilities.
- Jobs opened through HR on January 25
- Texted past lifeguards and managers about openings on January 25
- Emailed past lifeguards on March 1
- Posting and running social media ads on Facebook, Instagram, and Snapchat
- As of 3/10, 36 applications have been received.
- 6 lifeguard training classes are scheduled from March through May
  - Currently, 13 applicants are enrolled for training.
- Also have a lack applicants for Pool Operators (Managers). The lifeguard shortages we have experienced also impact our swim lesson program. This year we reached out to Berzerkers Swim Team who already has a swim lesson program established, but cannot operate it currently due to lack of space at their facility. Jessica is working on negotiating with their organization managing our swim lesson program. Our Department would take registrations and their organization will staff and instruct the lessons.

Jessica has contacted area high schools and colleges about visiting/posting information.

No In Person Visits:
- Carl Junction High School
- Neosho High School
- Webb City High School
- Joplin High School
- Seneca High School

TBD/Waiting to Hear:
- McAuley High School
- Thomas Jefferson High School
- Baxter Spring High School
- Carthage High School
- Diamond High School

In Person Visits:
- Riverton, KS High School: Visted on 3/9
- Galena, KS High School: Visiting on 3/11
- College Heights High School: Visiting on 4/13

Colleges:
- Crowder College: Added to Website on 3/1
- Ozark Christian College: Added to Website on 3/1
- Missouri Southern: Posted on Hire a Lion on 2/3
- Pittsburg State: Emailed to Recreation office on 1/26/21 and added to hiring site on 1/26/21
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**REVENUE COMPARISONS**

- DOWN from Feb. 2020 **$6,893.50**
- Year to date **$15,306.95**
- Course Closed 17 days because of Snow
- 105 players for the Schiffer Snowman
- 2/27/21

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ROTARY SCULPTURE GARDEN  
at Mercy Park  
Joplin, Missouri

SCULPTURE DONATION AGREEMENT  
Detailed completion of this donation agreement will help expedite the approval process.

“Donor”: Sharon + Lance Beshore and Harry M. Cornell, Jr.  
Address: 1340 Northridge Terrace  
Joplin, MO 64801  

Phone: 417-437-1772 (cell)  
Email: sheshore@hotmail.com  
Contact person: Sharon Beshore

“Donee”: Rotary Sculpture Garden, Inc., (“RSG”)  
A 501 (c) 3 not for profit organization  
Address: ____________________________  

____________________________________  

Phone: ____________________________  
Email: ____________________________  
Contact person: ____________________________

1. Offer. Donor hereby offers to donate to RSG the sculpture identified in the attached Exhibit A.

2. Acceptance.  
2.1 Acceptance of Donor’s offer to donate is conditioned upon approval by both the Rotary Sculpture Garden Board of Directors ("RSG Board") and the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Joplin ("City Board"). The date of acceptance is the date of the last to approve.

2.2 Within _______ days of receipt of the Donor’s offer to donate, the RSG Board will accept or reject the offer to donate and if accepted will immediately forward Donor’s offer to donate to the City Board for their acceptance or rejection. Within ____ days of the City Board’s acceptance or rejection, the RSG Board will notify the Donor of the decision to accept or reject.
Donor's offer to donate. Acceptance and rejection will be determined at the sole discretion of the RSG Board and the City Board. Sculptures which cannot be accepted include, but are not limited to, those itemized in Exhibit B.

4. **Location.**

4.1 The sculpture will be displayed in the Rotary Sculpture Garden at Mercy Park in Joplin, Missouri. Donor requests that the sculpture be located in Lot #______ as reflected in the attached Exhibit C.

4.2 RSG will attempt to honor the desired location of the sculpture within the Rotary Sculpture Garden, but that the location request of Donor cannot be guaranteed and will be determined at the sole discretion of the RSG Board of Directors and the City Board. Once installed, the sculpture can subsequently be relocated within the park at the sole discretion of the RSG Board of Directors and the City Board.

5. **Representations of Donor.**

5.1 Donor is the sole and rightful owner of the sculpture with full power and authority to make this donation and transfer of ownership of the sculpture to RSG free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and claims of any third persons or entities whatsoever.

5.2 The sculpture does not infringe upon the copyright, intellectual property rights or any other rights of any persons or legal entity or any other third person or entity not a party to this agreement.

5.3 At the time of the donation of the sculpture to RSG, RSG shall thereafter have full and complete ownership and rights to the use images, intellectual property and all other rights of ownership to the sculpture.

6. **Installation.**

The cost of the sculpture base, transportation of sculpture to Joplin, Missouri and installation of the sculpture will be paid by Donor in full prior to installation. Installation is the sole responsibility of Donor and must be performed by a licensed, bonded and insured installer pursuant to the installation plan set out in Exhibit A. All damages caused to the Rotary Sculpture Garden and surrounding Mercy Park during installation shall be the responsibility of Donor.

7. **Closing.**

7.1 Donor, being the lawful owner of the sculpture, will at the time of the delivery of the sculpture unconditionally transfer by gift Donor's full title to and interest in the sculpture to RSG. RSG shall hereafter have and retain exclusive and absolute ownership of the sculpture. All intellectual property rights are transferred to RSG and all rights of Donor and the artist are then forever extinguished.

7.2 At the time of installation, Donor shall execute whatever documents are reasonably requested by RSG to effect the transfer of ownership to RSG pursuant to the provisions of this agreement.
7.3 All covenants and provisions set forth herein shall survive closing.

7.4 At the time of the delivery of the donation to RSG, the donation becomes final and irrevocable.

8. Revocation of Acceptance
RSG retains the right to revoke its acceptance and terminate this document if the sculpture has not been installed by Donor within ______ days of acceptance or at any time prior to complete installation of the sculpture, if in the sole discretion of RSG, the sculpture is not substantially similar to the photographs and/or sketches set forth herein or is of substandard quality.

9. Miscellaneous
9.1 It is the intent of the parties, that this agreement and the contribution contemplated hereby shall for all purposes be treated as a charitable contribution made to an organization organized and operated under Section 501(c)(3). It is intended that the charitable contribution made by this agreement be used for charitable education or scientific purposes as permitted to an organization organized and operated under Section 501(c)(3).

9.2 In no event shall RSG be obligated to pay the donor, the artist or any third-party any fees or cover any expenses related to the use, donation, creation or installation of the sculpture.

9.3 Risk of loss to the sculpture remains with Donor and does not pass to RSG until the sculpture is installed and all necessary documents have been executed transferring ownership to RSG.

9.4 The situs of this document is Jasper County, Missouri and the Circuit Court of Jasper County, Missouri shall have exclusive jurisdiction for the resolution of all disputes arising from this document.

9.5 All exhibits (A and B) attached hereto are incorporated in this document and made a part hereof.

__________________________
Donor: Shawn Behoe

Dated: 2-2-2021
Action by RSG Board

_____ Approved    _____ Rejected    Dated:________________________

/S/ By:________________________________________

Action by City Board

_____ Approved    _____ Rejected    Date:________________________

/S/ By:________________________________________
EXHIBIT A

Current location of sculpture:

Being cast at Foundry after purchase. (Pre-cast order)

Artist/Sculptor:

Name: Angela Mia De la Vega
Address: 60748 Avalon Avenue
         Dallas, TX 75214 - 3703
Phone: _______________________
Email: angela@delavegaudios.com

Name of Work: "Bridge of Brotherhood"

Sculpture weight without base estimate 2450 lbs.
Sculpture material: Bronze
Sculpture available for delivery and installation any time after 16 weeks after order is placed. (By Fall 2021)
Installation will be performed by:

Name: Jo + David DeDecker
Address: 8424 Firethorn Drive
         Loveland, Colorado 80538
Phone: 970 - 241 - 5060 (cell)
Email: SculptureServices@gmail.com
Contact person: Jo DeDecker

Detailed description of installation plan:

Jo and David DeDecker have installed all sculptures professional in the RSG since its opening.

Sandstone

We will have a base cast for the sculpture as directed by the artist or installer, which will be installed on a concrete pad of 2.

It will be anchored with needed bolts.

says she

The artist plans to put the sculpture on 2 round edged square granite bases - one under each column of the bridge.
EXHIBIT B

Sculptures which:

1. Are obscene, sexually suggestive or otherwise inappropriate for viewing by all ages.
2. Include or display weapons of any kind.
3.
4.
5.
Location will be determined after we walk around with several RSG Board Members.

Lots ______ regularly take on mist from the Mercy Park Water fountains.
**Bridge of Brotherhood**

53"h x 62"w x 24"d

Limited Ed. of 38

Clay for Bronze

Three little boys sit together on a bridge they have built together as youngsters, having already established the relationships that will carry them forward as they grow into a world they will share as equals. *Ilene Jo Reizner*

Inquire >