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**JOPLIN PARKS
& RECREATION**

ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

May 8, 2019

5:00 PM

Schifferdecker Golf Course
506 Schifferdecker Ave.
Joplin, MO 64801

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dustin Parker, Josh DeTar, Jennifer Martucci, Chalise Cooper and, Paul Teverow were present.

ABSENT:

Edwin Mwangi, Kreg Selvey

GUESTS:

Paul Bloomberg, Parks and Recreation and Director
Carla Bond, Business Development Manager

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.

Dustin Parker called the regular meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Jennifer Martucci made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Josh DeTar.

OLD BUSINESS.

Dustin told the board that this was his last meeting and he thought it would be a good time for the board to elect new officers. After the board had a decision they all agreed to Jennifer Martucci as Chair, Josh DeTar as Vice Chair, and Paul Teverow as Secretary.

Paul told the board that the Disc Golf Redesign at McClelland Park is going well. (Attached) Since we are in our busy time we have slowed down on working on that project but will continue to work on it again in the fall. We have had a few phone calls with complaints. We had a couple ladies that were complaining about the trees being removed. He told her we are not removing any trees that are in good shape. We are only removing trees that are already dead. Another complaint was from a guy saying

they would scare all the wild life out of that area. Paul told the board that after this phone call the maintenance crew found three deer stands in the woods out there. Paul told the board that we are putting in 9 new baskets, new concrete, new signage, and it will be 36 holes when its complete. Paul also mentioned that while working on the new disc golf area then have also been clean up tons of trash that was in the park.

He said that the golf course cart bridge is complete. The crews are working on hole #10 cart path now. Hopefully this will be done by Memorial Day weekend. They are going from a 6ft cart path to an 8ft cart path and we are hoping to do the same on hole #13 sometime later in the fall.

Paul handed out the summer tournament schedule. (Attached) We have had several calls from teams wanting to come use our turf facilities, but we have had to cancel some of our own games due to the outfields being too wet and rain in general.

Paul told the board that the senior center is now available to rent out to nonprofit organizations.

He also mentioned that the MOU will go to council in June for the Missouri Prairie Foundation and US fish and Wildlife. If it gets approved by council, it will go in effect in the fall.

NEW BUSINESS:

Paul stated that our soccer program just continues to grow. We have over 500 kids signed up for spring soccer. That is on top of Middle School, McAuley, and Midwest all using our fields. He has Greg, the supervisor, looking at prices to expand our soccer fields. We would like to put another field behind the Miracle field and Wendell Redden. We would have to grade that area and then sod it this summer. We would have to have a company come out and put up a fence around the new fields.

He said the Arbor Event went well. We partnered up with Wildcat Glades, Liberty Utilities, Missouri Conservation, Missouri Master Naturalist, and Missouri Stream Team. We had a 5k run at Landreth Park, vendors, music, mulching demo, and giveaways. The event was held on Saturday, April 27. We had 75 runners and about 400-500 people at the event. Next year Arbor Day event will be on April 25, 2020. We would like to add maybe a pickle ball and disc golf tournament to this event.

He mentioned to the board that he has his supervisors working on getting him some numbers for upcoming budget years. He meets with the finance director on the 13th and 20th and then will meet with the city manager after that for the upcoming budget year 2019/2020.

Paul said the MOU is almost complete for the MDC and Wildcat Park Friends Group and will go to council on May 20th.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Paul handed out Schifferdecker Golf Course and Recreation monthly revenue report. (Attached)

ADJOURNMENT:

Josh DeTar made a motion to adjourn, second by Jennifer Martucci.

Nakia Osborne, Accounting Specialist

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