GARNETT PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

1/11/2023

The parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at the Recreation Center with the meeting being called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Members present were Janon Gordon, Matt Stevenson, Roy Salazar, Kalana Jewett and Phil Bures. Not in attendance: Rochelle Kohlmeier, Brandon Palmer, and Ben Tush.

Minutes from previous meeting were not available.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Phil Bures reported the following new business:

1. New Board Members
2. Kalana (Kali) Jewett was appointed at December City Commission meeting to join the board.
3. Employment
4. Retirement/Employment
5. Brian Maloan has retired. Quenton Trammell has moved from his maintenance position to fill the vacancy. The vacancy created by his departure will be filled but has not been advertised yet, will be getting that out soon.
6. Neil Hermreck will be looking to retire in August.
7. Pool
8. Consultant was hired to inspect pool. He gave a 3–4-year remaining life span and estimate of 2-3 million dollars to replace.
9. Information was presented to the commission and waiting for hear from them.
10. Deb McMahon will not be returning as pool manager, so far no one has been named a replacement.
11. Will start recruiting staff and lifeguards soon. Expect some to return but anticipate losing some to the summer CNA program.
12. Phil looked into Midwest Pool Management to outsource the hiring and employee operations of the pool (he would still handle the pool work), due to the areas the company currently covers it would not be feasible to go this route.
13. Rec Center
14. Membership is the highest it has ever been.
15. Hot Yoga, Chair Yoga, and a new class from Sami have been/will be added.
16. Looking into possible renovation of workout rooms and equipment.
    1. Replace all equipment $50,000.
    2. Renovate the rooms $20,000.
    3. Lease option on equipment available
    4. Looking to ask Goppert to donate.
17. Basketball
18. Last week was the first week for games. Teams got more practice time before games started.
19. All the teams are full and did not have any trouble finding coaches.
20. Traveling: Ottawa Appanoose, and Williamsburg

* 10 teams started last week. This is a traveling league. There have been some rule changes made to adjust for optimal learning and teaching fundamentals.

1. Soccer
2. Sign up will start soon.

E. Budget

1. Last year we went 6-7% over budget. Helmets had to be recertified.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Fitness Court
2. It is 1 of 3 in the state.
3. It is getting a lot of use.
4. Phil is very proud of the court.

With no further business to discuss meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m. Next meeting February 8, 2023

Minutes recorded and submitted by Janon Gordon, Secretary.