

GARNETT PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
January 18, 2017

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at the Recreation Center with the meeting being called to order by Brandon Palmer at 6:26 p.m.

Members present were Brandon Palmer, Ben Tush, Rochelle Kohlmeier, Matt Stevenson, Janon Gordon and Phil Bures. Not in attendance: Larry Katzer and Sandie Fritz.

Minutes were reviewed. Brandon Palmer made a motion to approve, seconded by Ben Tush, motion passed.

**RECREATION FINANCIAL REPORT**

Recreation Center records show good membership and the recreation center is doing well overall.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Phil Bures reported the following new business:

- A. Terms Expiring in March
  - 1. Janon Gordon- asked to renew, yes.
  - 2. Larry Katzer and Sandy Fritz- Phil will check with them and see if they will renew.
  - 3. Phil asked for suggestions of individuals who may be interested in filing any of the above listed vacancies if Larry and Sandie choose to leave the board.
- B. Football
  - 1. Overall both 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> had a good season.
  - 2. Phil attended the end of year meeting and there had been some issues with sportsmanship this season but Garnett was not named as one of the problematic teams.
  - 3. It is up in the air whether there will be a 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade team next year due to numbers.
- C. Basketball
  - 1. Will go through the end of February. It's going well so far. Phil reported the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade has enough for 6 teams and the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> were able to split by grade and travel playing other towns.
- D. Soccer
  - 1. Sign-ups will start in February with practices being in March.
  - 2. Phil reported it is the sport with the most participation and he anticipates another good season.
- E. Update on current projects
  - 1. New playground
    - a. Will be more interactive play, not traditional outdoor play equipment.
    - b. Phil will be meeting with a dealer to go over the options, cost etc. of the project.

- c. Members brought up concerns with the location being separate from the current playground and kids having to cross the street and being exposed to Park Rd. Phil said there has been thought of some sort of fencing. It would not be a full enclosed area but maybe a fence or natural fence line along the road to separate the street from the play area.
- d. It was also mentioned there has been a lot of positive feedback on the new swings. People seem to be enjoying them and they are getting good use.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Recreation Center 24 hour access
  - 1. Still in the process of gaining support and a plan to present addressing concerns, liabilities, insurance and over all functioning of a 24 hour facility. Phil is attending the state convention in 2 weeks where he will be able to gather more information from other facilities that are already implementing the system.

No further business to discuss Brandon made a motion to adjourn the meeting Ben seconded and meeting was adjourned at 7:06p.m.

Submitted by Janon Gordon, Secretary.