



PARK, RECREATION AND TREE BOARD
Monday, January 14, 2019

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:03 PM by Chair Denise Holmes

Present: Polly Zechmann, Mitty Brady, Michael Davis, Jolynn Becker, Denise Holmes, and Stephanie Jones (Council Liaison)

Absent: None

Visitors: None

INTRODUCTIONS:

None

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS:

N/A.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Teri Branstitre has moved out of the city and will no longer be a member of the PRT Board. City Councilor Stephanie Jones is the new Council Liaison to the PRT Board.

1. **Minutes of the Park, Recreation and Tree Board Management Committee Meeting – August 20, 2018** – PRT Board members discussed the August 20, 2018 minutes. Denise asked about the statement in the round table section where it states “the HOA passed two ordinances”. After discussion it was determined that it should say “the HOA made their recommendation to City Council to pass the two ordinances”. Mitty Brady also wanted to talk about her section on the round table about recruiting members. Polly Zechmann made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Michael Davis seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

2. **Grants for Park Improvements/Enhancements** – Jolynn is going to be working with a grant writer to search for grants to assist with getting a basketball court installed at Greenville City Park. There was discussion about the basketball court, and the research that had been done previously on this item. Jolynn estimates the cost, without a roof at approximately \$100,000.00. Mitty Brady requested to abstain from voting on this item, as she is against the basketball court, as the park is getting to full of items, and that the community likes the big open area of the park. Jolynn referred back to the citizen survey, and that there were a lot of votes to add more seating areas, and playground equipment for smaller children, more trees to provide additional shade, and additional pathways to the different areas of the park. Jolynn also discussed the cement work that the city

wants to do at the gazebo to make a platform/stage for performances, and additional seating for viewing those events. Consensus was for Jolynn to proceed with research and budgeting for this project.

3. **Tree List for planting strips less than 3 feet wide** – Jolynn gave an update on the tree removal/sidewalk replacement project going on in the Arbor Village Sub-Division. She discussed the City of Banks Design Standards, and what it currently lists as approved materials for planting strips. Jolynn received a recommendation from Dennis' Seven Dees of trees that would be appropriate for planting strips less than 3 feet wide and went over the plan for replanting of the trees that were removed during this project.
4. **Budget requests for FY 2019-2020** – Jolynn asked the board for ideas of items/projects for the parks. She would like to have all requests by the first part of March. After discussion the PRT Board decided that a project would be to review the existing trees in the park to check on their health. For the Log Cabin Park, it will be budgeted to come out and finish getting the dead limbs out of the large oak trees. Stephanie Jones would like to see a sign installed at the tree used for the Christmas tree, stating 'no climbing'. Mitty asked if the Log Cabin is insured, and who pays for it. Jolynn explained that the city insures everything at the parks, and the Banks Historical Society leases the Log Cabin, and they have insurance for the contents of the building. The PRT Board consensus was that the following list would be their budget requests for 2019-2020. Addition of a stage at the gazebo (if not completed in 2018-2019 budget year), Basketball court, evaluate the health of the trees in the parks and remove/replace them if necessary, and add an additional park event.
5. **Park, Recreation and Tree Board Meeting Schedule** – Jolynn asked if the board would like to continue to meet monthly or meet every other month. Consensus was to move the meetings to every other month on the third Monday, and if necessary additional meetings could be added.

EVENTS

6. **National Night Out (August 6, 2019)** – None
7. **Movies Under the Stars (TBD)** – The board decided that it would be a good idea to send out a survey again for ideas for the movie to be shown.
8. **Arbor Day Event (TBD)** – Denise stated the City needs to do a big Arbor Day Event for our Tree City U.S.A. Recertification, as the last couple of years not much has been done. Arbor Day is usually around Earth Day, which is April 22, 2019 this year. Jolynn will have staff put together a draft press release for the Arbor Day Event and have the PRT Board review it at the March 18, 2019 PRT Board Meeting. Denise is going to explore possible programming on zeriscaping. Jolynn gave the board an overview on the water moratorium and water conservation ordinances that were passed by City Council.
9. **Christmas Tree Lighting Event – (Sunday, December 1, 2019)** – None

ACTIVITY REPORTS FOR PARKS

10. **Greenville City Park**
 - a. **Park reservations:** None
11. **Log Cabin Park**
 - a. **Park reservations:** None

OLD BUSINESS

COMMITTEE ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Polly Zechmann – Asked about the parking changes in the Arbor Village Sud-Division. Jolynn gave an update on the work being done with moving community mailboxes on some streets, and the addition of new signage.

Mitty Brady – The flyers for recruiting for members is a good idea, as well as Facebook.

Jolynn Becker – Jolynn mentioned that the planning for the 100-year celebration in 2020 had begun, and it had been suggested that the movie in the park for that summer be something from the 1920's. The committee was also interested in hosting a Barbershop Quartet Concert in Greenville Park as well.

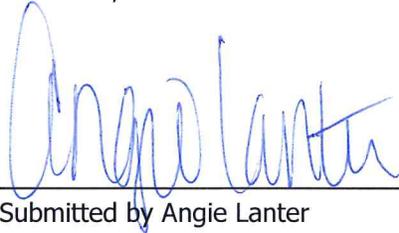
Denise Holmes – None

Michael Davis – None

Stephanie Jones - None

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Next Park, Recreation and Tree Board Meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2019 at 6:00 pm.



Submitted by Angie Lanter