

City of Aurora Park Board

Aurora City Hall
City Council Chambers
2 W. Pleasant

Aurora, Missouri
Thursday, April 20, 2023 6:00 PM

4/20/2023 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Dillman called the meeting to order at 5:58PM.

2. ROLL CALL

President Deb Dillman	<i>Present</i>
Vice President Nikki Kennedy	<i>Present</i>
Board Member Brammell	<i>Present</i>
Board Member Murray	<i>Present</i>
Board Member Pettit	<i>Present</i>
Board Member Williams	<i>Absent</i>

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice President Nikki Kennedy made a motion to Approve Park Board Minutes from March 20, 2023. Board Member Pettit seconded the motion. Motion passed with votes documented as follows:

President Deb Dillman	<i>Aye</i>
Vice President Nikki Kennedy	<i>Aye</i>
Board Member Brammell	<i>Aye</i>
Board Member Murray	<i>Aye</i>
Board Member Pettit	<i>Aye</i>
Board Member Williams	<i>Absent</i>

4. NEW BUSINESS

*Clerical error on agenda. Subpoints should be 4.I, 4.II, etc.

3.I Finalize the Work Project List/Plans for Parks Clean-Up Day

Parks Department Interim Director Travis Wittenborn shared plans for Parks Clean-Up Day, scheduled for May 6 at 8AM, meeting at White Park. The event will focus on cleaning City Parks of trash, debris, limbs, and cleaning ditches and fence lines. Advertising for the event will include a post on the City's Facebook page, City

website, and an article in the Aurora Advertiser. Council Liaison Pettit proposed having a banner posted the week of the event at White Park inviting citizens of Aurora to participate in Parks Clean-Up Day. Painting and staining of City Park facilities and fences will be reserved for the Athlete Clean-Up Day, scheduled for May 19.

3.II Needs for Dog Park Grand Opening

City Manager Jon Holmes addressed Park Board with plans for the City's Dog Park Grand Opening, scheduled for April 22 at 9AM. Special recognition was given to 2 generous donors, AFB and an anonymous donor, who donated for the signage for the Dog Park, now known as Jeanie's Place, per the request of this anonymous donor.

3.III Signage/Advertising Upcoming Events

President Deb Dillman then led a discussion pertaining to both digital and trailhead signage for advertising upcoming events. With the expensive nature of digital signs, the Park Board discussed Trailhead signs, placed at City Parks, as being the best, most feasible method of advertising City business and upcoming events.

3.IV Update from Decision-Making Team

Council Liaison Theresa Pettit gave an update from the Decision-Making Team regarding the Rec Center's design and budget and their ideas to continue working within the \$12M proposed budget. She continued by sharing some findings of the Feasibility Study done by Ballard King.

3.V Staff Updates

City Manager Jon Holmes began with an update on grants the City is working to acquire, including the TAP grant and measures he and other City staff members are taking to make the City eligible to receive that grant. The City has still not received word from the Land Water Conservation Group concerning a grant to move Legion Field out to Baldwin Park.

Interim Parks and Recreation Director Travis Wittenborn then addressed the Park Board in giving about the City's Youth Leagues and other leagues currently using City fields for their games. He continued by mentioning work being done at the City Pool and Parks in preparation for upcoming activities.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Pettit made a motion to adjourn the Park Board meeting at 7:41 PM. Vice President Nikki Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion passed with votes documented as follows:

President Deb Dillman	Aye
Vice President Nikki Kennedy	Aye
Board Member Brammell	Aye
Board Member Murray	Aye
Board Member Pettit	Aye
Board Member Williams	Absent