

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes

March 3, 2011

Item 1: Meeting Called to Order by Lenna Watson at 12:10 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Tawny Espinoza
 Lenna Watson
 Dr. William Findlay
 Scott Coleman
 Bruce Hill (Ex-Officio)

Board Members Absent: Bart Dickson
 David McInay
 Yvette Carnine

Parks & Recreation Staff Present: Rob Schoeber, Director
 Tressa Fisher, Administrative Specialist
 Mike Vendegna, Parks Superintendent
 Traci Wieland, Recreation Superintendent

Item 2: Approve Minutes

Scott Coleman moved to approve the February 3, 2011 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board minutes. Tawny Espinoza seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Motion adopted by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: 4 Yes 0 No

Item 3: Park Inventory and Future Needs Assessment Review

Rob Schoeber distributed copies of the most recent version of the Park Inventory and Future Needs Assessment, along with a list of changes from the February 8, 2011 workshop. Mr. Schoeber stated staff will be working diligently over the next three weeks to finish the document and would like to meet with the Board one final time for review prior to presenting to City Council. Discussion ensued regarding the changes. The Board agreed to a lunch meeting later this month for final review.

Item 4: Golf Operations

Rob Schoeber reported on the RFP process for the restaurant at Tiara Rado Golf Course, stating the committee will be recommending “Two Miles” at the March 14, 2011 City Council meeting. If City Council approves the committee’s selection, Two Miles will take over the restaurant operations on April 1, 2011. Mr. Schoeber also reported Larry Manchester has been appointed as the Interim Manager of the Pro Shop; The City will soon be advertising for the Head Pro position.

Item 5: Parks Operations Building Tour

The Parks Operating building was slated years ago as “next for replacement” in the City’s system of facilities. At that time, the estimated cost for replacing the building was \$1.2 million. When the Parkway Building became available, the Parks Department asked for City Council’s approval to move their operations into the newly vacant building. Over the last year the Parks crews have worked hard

with other City departments to make the building accommodate their operations. All of the necessary work was completed for a total cost of \$100,000. At this time, the Stadium crews will continue to be housed at the Lincoln Park location, until the stadium project is finished. Eventually, the Golf crews will be the only remaining staff at the Lincoln Park location.

Discussion ensued regarding the plans for the Lincoln Park tennis courts. Dr. William Findlay expressed concerns with removing “lighted” courts, stating he has heard from community members who play at night that there is already a shortage of lit courts. Dr. Findlay also suggested the Department explore the possibility of acquiring the old lights that were recently removed at Mesa State.

Item 6: Project Updates

Rob Schoeber provided a brief update on the Parks Improvement Advisory Board (PIAB), stating they are currently in the process of revising their bylaws, and will mostly likely be undergoing a name change as well. Mr. Schoeber also stated, at this time, PIAB is unsure if the County is going to remain a contributing partner.

Item 7: Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tressa Fisher
Administrative Specialist