

**MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**Via GoToMeeting**  
**June 15, 2020**  
**5:30 PM**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair JaneAnn Oldrup called the June 15, 2020 meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

The following Members were present: JaneAnn Oldrup, James Edwards, Barry Mathison and Becky Joyce. The following members were absent: Kim Elliott, Hannah Robertson and Maegan Sanders.

Staff present: Jim Burress, Special Services Director; Marcus Gallegos, Recreation Manager and Sharene Brooks, Parks Administrative Assistant Sr.

Guests present: Juno Ogle, Vicki Burress and Rita Kane-Doerhoefer.

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Member Edwards motioned to approve the agenda, Member Joyce seconded; a voice vote was unanimous. Motion passed, with Members Elliott, Robertson and Sanders absent.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Member Joyce motioned to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2020 meeting, Member Mathison seconded; a voice vote was unanimous. Motion passed, with Members Elliott, Robertson and Sanders absent.

**E. REGULAR ITEMS (ACTION ITEMS)**

2. Review and recommend applicants for vacant positions. Member Edwards has been reinstated by the Roswell School Board. Applicant Bonnie Bitzer was appointed to another board and in accordance with Ordinance 15-07, would not be able to serve on two committees. Current members Elliott and Joyce have reapplied, leaving applicant Megan Patterson to fill a vacancy. Motion to approve the three applicants was made by Member Edwards and seconded by Member Mathison. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed, with members Elliott, Robertson and Sanders absent. The three Applicant names will be sent to City Clerk Sharon Coll to present to Mayor Kintigh for consideration of appointment/reappointment.

**F. NON-ACTION ITEMS**

3. Introduction of new Aquatic Manager Todd Fizer. Mr. Fizer was unable to attend the meeting. Recreation Manager Marcus Gallegos indicated that he would be introduced at the next meeting.

4. Report on Aquatic Center. Marcus Gallegos Recreation Manager gave the report on the Aquatic Center. The pool was reopened on June 3<sup>rd</sup> for lap swimming. Following COVID-19 restrictions, swimming lessons are also allowed at this time. Current days and hours of operation were discussed. It is unknown at this time when recreational swimming will be allowed. When more lifeguards are hired, the rec center will be able to expand hours and possibly open earlier in the morning.

5. Report on Recreation Department. Marcus Gallegos Recreation Manager gave the report on the Recreation Department. The rec center reopened on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Current days and hours of operation were provided. Basketball courts are being utilized following the COVID-19 restrictions. The facility is doing regular cleaning and disinfecting every hour. The exercise room has been upgraded and will be opening on July 1<sup>st</sup>. New schedules will be posted online. The Roswell Adult Center will remain closed until the City and the State feel it is safe to open. There have been rumors that it will not be reopening, but that has not been discussed. All summer programs have had to be cancelled. The Boys & Girls Club will be running their summer program through the rec center on a limited basis. Lunches will be provided through a meal program with the schools at Cielo Grande.

6. Report on Parks Department. Jim Burress Special Services Director gave the report on the Parks Department. The Parks Dept. lost 10 employees as a result of COVID-19. Playgrounds and picnic tables are being disinfected every Friday. The frequency of mowing and watering have been cut due to more work and less employees. The zoo will not open until the end of October. A new exhibit and the pond are the main projects there right now. Private tours will be offered in the future. The impact of COVID-19 on the Special Services Departments (Cemetery, Golf, Parks, Animal Control and Zoo) was discussed. Light bulb replacement at the tennis courts has been requested to be taken care of by the Facility Maintenance Dept.

## **G. OTHER BUSINESS**

7. Public Comments – (none).

## **H. ADJOURN**

Member Mathison motioned to adjourn the meeting, Member Joyce seconded; a voice vote was unanimous. Motion passed, with Members Elliott, Robertson and Sanders absent.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Next Commission meeting: July 20, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.