

**CITY OF MASCOUTAH
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
#3 WEST MAIN STREET
MASCOUTAH, IL 62258-2030**

AUGUST 12, 2015

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission of the City of Mascoutah.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Harold Knoth called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Commission members Steve Heizer, Ryan Hinrichs, Mark Pruett, Amy Gaultney, Harold Knoth and Adam Kasper were present.

ABSENT

Commission member Doug Elbe was absent.

ALSO PRESENT

Executive Assistant Lisa Other was present. Also present were Councilman Paul Schorr and MAC representative Nick Seibert.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

A quorum of Parks & Recreation Commission members was present.

AMEND AGENDA

There was no need to amend the agenda.

MINUTES

Steve Heizer motioned to accept the July 8, 2015 minutes. This was seconded by Mark Pruett and all other members agreed.

FINANCIALS

The financial review for July 2015 Parks and Recreation Commission was accepted.

Park Grants Update:

Harold Knoth read a brief grant update provided by Hawkins. The St Clair County Park Grant applied for Maple Park improvements (new fence, replace basketball court) was submitted. Metro East Park District Grant: Check is in the mail for the skate park reimbursement and application for next phase of skate park, maybe the half pipe or bike fast track.

Tree Sub Committee:

Hinrichs stated that the next meeting will include sulfur measurements and limbs clean-up in Scheve Park.

Scheve Park:

Nick Seibert from MAC (Mascoutah Athletic Commission) gave a brief update. He said the feedback concerning improvements to fields 4 & 5 has been very positive. Beginning in the end of August repairs and field work will begin on fields 2 & 3. They are also looking into irrigation options. Fence replacements were also mentioned.

Homecoming was a success again this year. No major problems were reported. One of the memorial benches was damaged and this led to discussion over the need for a plan detailing allowed placement of memorial benches. Overall the commission agreed that placing the benches along the walking trail would be best and the option of replacing the old wooden benches along 6th Street as a less costly memorial was also recommended.

Dog Park:

Per Hawkins's update to the commission the Dog Park parking lot is on hold until the Park Master Plan has been updated for that side of the park. The Park Board will be involved in the plan update.

Concerns for placement and future use as well as making the most of the park's green space was discussed.

Maple Park:

No updates.

Prairie Lakes Park:

No updates.

Miscellaneous:

ADJOURNMENT

Parks and Recreation Commission adjourned at 7:28 p.m.