

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

OCTOBER 8, 2014

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENT

Commission members Steve Heizer, Harold Knoth, Mark Pruett & Chairman Ken Tyler were present.

ABSENT

Adam Kasper, Ryan Hinrichs and Bill Witts were absent.

ALSO PRESENT

Executive Assistant Lisa Other, Assistant City Manager Lisa Koerkenmeier and Bill Reichert of EWR Associates were present.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

A quorum of Parks & Recreation Commission members was present.

AMEND AGENDA

The agenda was amended to allow discussion of Prairie Lakes Park Master Plan updates to be discussed first.

MINUTES

Harold Knoth motioned to accept the August 13, 2014 minutes. This was seconded by Mark Pruett and all other members agreed.

FINANCIALS

The financial review for September 2014 Parks and Recreation Commission were accepted.

Prairie Lakes Park Master Plan Update Discussion:

Koerkenmeier introduced Bill Reichert of EWR and they explained the updates to the Prairie Lakes Park Master Plan. The updates allow for easier grant application and a more phased breakdown of improvements along with projected costs which have changed over the years. Also utility extension plans were added. The updates will be reflected as an Appendix to the PLP Master Plan & Comprehensive Plan.

Harold Knoth motioned to accept and move forward the PLP amendments to Planning Commission & City Council for approval. Mark Pruett seconded the motion and all other members agreed.

Park Grants Update:

Assistant City Manager Lisa Koerkenmeier gave everyone a brief update on the outstanding PARC grant application, wrap-up of the MEPRD bleachers grant, playground equipment for Maple Park, berm trail and safe routes to school grants.

Tree Sub Committee:

No Comments

Scheve Park:

Frisbee Golf course completion and possible sponsorship of holes to help pay for maps was discussed. Knoth mentioned that roto-mix from Harnett Street is being used to create handicapped parking spaces near the bleachers to use up remaining grant funds. Knoth also reminded everyone about the Rodeo that MIA is helping sponsor on Oct. 10 and 11 and he noted that a new airplane ride was donated for the Kiddie Park.

Dog Park discussion focused on memorial trees and benches. It was decided that the Dog Park should be added to the regular agenda for updates.

Maple Park:

Playground equipment purchased with grant funds has arrived and the MIA will begin installation toward the end of the month. Old playground equipment will be auctioned off and the funding used toward new equipment purchases.

Prairie Lakes Park:

Weeds are overgrowing the walking path so Koerkenmeier stated the City would check into the issue. Pruett noted that around the first of the year he would like to revisit the possible trail from Brickyard Subdivision to the Power Plant on the old railroad right of way.

ADJOURNMENT

Parks and Recreation Commission adjourned at 7:51 p.m.