

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

OCTOBER 12, 2016

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Doug Elbe was absent.

ALSO PRESENT

City Manager Cody Hawkins, Executive Assistant Melissa Schanz, Assistant City Manager Mike Bolt were present.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

A quorum of Parks & Recreation Commission members was present.

AMEND AGENDA

There was no need to amend the agenda.

MINUTES

Minutes for the September 14, 2016 meeting will be provided at the November meeting.

FINANCIALS

The financial review for September 2016 Parks and Recreation Commission was accepted by Heizer and was seconded by Pruett and all other members agreed.

Special Presentation:

Commission member Amy Gaultney invited representatives from Unlimited Play and All Inclusive Rec. They provided the commission with a presentation and slide show on the power of Inclusive Playgrounds and the benefits that they have for the community. They shared the ways they partner with the community to raise money for such play areas and talked about grants that might be available to help with the expenses of this type of structure. The City and Commission stated that they would be in touch. It is something that the City is interested in, but will need to plan for it.

Park Grants Update:

No updates

Tree Sub Committee:

Ryan Hinrichs explained the new process of planting memorial trees at the park. The Tree Sub Committee will be working with the Memorial Tree Committee to plan trees once a year in November. He also stated that they will be trimming trees in the park on Oct.28.

Scheve Park:

Knoth told the commission that the pavilion across from Terrace on the Park will be getting a new roof. Rock on the north trail was also discussed. It was stated by Cody to proceed with prices and see what we can do to get the trail more usable.

Dog Park:

It was stated that the City is working with Tim Boyce on getting the new Dog Park sign up.

Maple Park:

Commission discussed the white building at Maple Park. Cody explained how the city would like to revamp the building to put bathrooms in it. He also would like for it to get repainted and a new roof.

Prairie Lakes Park:

No updates

Miscellaneous:

No updates

ADJOURNMENT

Parks and Recreation Commission adjourned at 8:22p.m.