

Parks and Recreation Board  
 September 17, 2020 – 4:00 p.m.  
 Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities, 1920 Grand Avenue

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	<u>Name</u>	<u>Members' Term Attendance</u> (mtgs attended-mtgs absent)	<u>End of Current Term of Office</u>
<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	Clark, Chris	(8-6)	02/11/24
	Heim, Michael	(9-5)	02/03/24
	Lanham, Annette	(4-0)	02/03/24
	Luedtke, Patti	(1-0)	08/31/25
	Nelson, Pam (via Zoom)	(13-1)	02/03/24
	Nelson, Scott (via Zoom)	(2-0)	07/27/25
<b>MEMBERS ABSENT :</b>	Brandt, Valerie	(20-22)	06/20/21
	Grace, Darrell	(22-7)	06/20/21
	Supple-Bish, Mary	(11-3)	02/03/24
<b>STAFF PRESENT:</b>	Chuck Kempf, Director Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities		
	Jeff Atkins, Assistant Director Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities		
	Jessica Oshel, Special Events & Communications Coordinator		

**Call to Order.**

Chairman Chris Clark called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ITEM #2 - Approval of minutes**

Approved

**ITEM #3 – Updates:**

- a) Hyde Park Splash Park Update –Hit an underground spring or groundwater 5’ deep. To fix the water issue green pad was installed (layers of rock, silt mat & drainpipe capped with 6” concrete cap on top.) They over dug the area and pumping out water. This process delayed construction by 40 days. Cost of the extra work hopefully will be covered by the contingency funds built into the project. Footings & foundation for new building are in. Forms for the lower level “basement” pump room are up. Depending upon winter construction they may still meet the Spring timeframe. Some of the features of the splash park have arrived: 7 concrete stumps and acorn weighing 600 pounds each.
- b) Bartlett Park Shelter – Several months ago we were contacted by the Kiwanis Club. For their National 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary they wanted to complete a substantial project. They saw a need for another shelter at Bartlett Park. They obtained a matching grant funding for the shelter. The new shelter will be 20’ x 40’ metal and stone. They are paying for the materials and park staff will complete the work. Should be able to add this shelter to our reservation system. The shelter will be to the west of the restroom and playground. Hopefully will be able to install concrete pad next week.
- c) COVID Effect on Department – Emergency Declaration was put into effect today. This will affect indoor athletics, there were no exceptions to the declaration to accommodate them. We did discuss our concerns with Mayor and Health Director. High Schools will be complying with the new declaration. We will see how it goes. Hockey Association will be providing bubble masks for all players. Figure Skating is mostly individual, but any synchronized groups will have to wear

masks. REC Center is the most effected, getting some push back on social media. All other facilities have put the new rules into effect.

- d) Future Capital Park Projects – Last month the board was given “homework” to assist with rating possible projects. There are a few members were waiting for to tally up the results. This is just the first step in the process. Will go to council and citizens for input. Right now, Missouri Theater renovations are number 1 & 2, Bode Ice Arena floor number 3, and Krug Park amphitheater number 4, but adding in additional ratings will affect the results drastically. Larger scope projects were left off from the list of projects JRP 50+ Activity Center and Civic Arena.

### **ITEM #3 – Upcoming Events**

Jessica Oshel

- September - We had Howl-A-Palooza with a pretty good turnout. Hosting Park Pop Up events this month, trying to get people out into the parks.
- October – Remington Nature Center fish feeding, JRP 50+ Activity Center line dance lessons and health living programs, Halloween Hunt (scavenger hunt), and Drive Thru Trunk or Treat at Remington Nature Center parking lot, inviting various businesses and service groups to host a trunk. Hopefully, this will be a safer alternative to traditional trick or treating.
- December – Mayors Children’s Christmas Party had been hosting it at Bode Ice Arena, but with restrictions it will be moved to Civic Arena. Trying to come up with some ideas to provide entertainment since there will not be an ice show.

### **ITEM #4 –Open Discussion**

- a. Aquatic Park leak detection and repair – ongoing for a couple of years. We have been using 50’ fiber optic cable with camera and dye to try and locate the leak. Finally found an area in the lazy river. Our guys cut a hole and found a large section of pipe broke. We will be repairing the pipes and filling with concrete. Hopefully, this will fix the leak issue. Natara will work with Schneider to do design, renovation with the available CIP funds.
- b. Annette Lanham - Duck feed machines recently installed in Krug Park seem to be a success. Maintenance crew have had a hard time trying to keep the machines full.
- c. Mike Heim – 14<sup>th</sup> Street south, but north of Mansfield there has been water standing. It goes across the hike & bike trail. Chuck will have maintenance check into the issue. There are several areas around with the same issue.
- d. Chris Clark – current and next segment of CIP – 2020 Aquatic Park design and Hyde Park Splash Park design – 2021 funds Aquatic Park renovation and Hyde Park construction, along with Missouri Theater curtain and lighting as well as restroom design, Wyeth Tootle design, Krug Park retaining wall renovation, and Maple Leaf playground/surfacing and surfacing for Patee Park.

### **ITEM #5 - Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn meeting, seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2020, 4pm at Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities office, 1920 Grand Avenue.

Minutes respectfully submitted,  
Lori Frederick, Executive Administrative Assistant