

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
The Lodge Des Peres, Oak Room
February 1, 2018
6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Amend called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

WARD I — Duff Hufford, Margaret Amend and Julie Foshage

WARD II — Mary Duggan and Andrew Theising

WARD III — Bill Reeves, Marie Ganninger and Darlene Corley

Director of Parks & Recreation – Brian Schaffer

Alderman – Mark Becker

Guests – Cathy and Jack Courtney

Assistant City Administrator – Scott Schaefer

EXCUSED – Rob O’Blennis

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

None

PETITIONS & COMMENTS

Welcomed guests Cathy and Jack Courtney. Jack is a Boy Scout earning his Citizenship in the Community badge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Commissioner Hufford motioned to approve the January 2018 minutes.

Commissioner Reeves seconded the motion. Those present voted as follows:

Commissioners Amend, aye; Foshage, aye; Duggan, aye; Theising, aye;

Ganninger, aye; Corley, aye. Motion approved.

ALDERMANIC REPORT

Alderman Becker reported that two more banks are coming to Des Peres – American Bank of Missouri and M1 Bank.

Alderman Becker stated that Circle 7 will be opening in March.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Schaffer provided a handout of the Parks and Recreation Department Activities in January 2018. Director Schaffer highlighted main activities from the handout such as; HVAC adjustments by the building supervisors due to temperature issues throughout all City buildings, the completion of the Oak Room flooring, delivery of the new meeting room chairs, the Parks Department purchasing 3 new electric utility vehicles and the launch of a new lunch time 30 minute workout program called Lunch Crunch.

Director Schaffer reported that a contract was awarded to Davey Resource Group, Inc. to complete an inventory of street trees in the City.

Director Schaffer stated that we received over 40 applications for the full-time Facility Specialist-Rental position. Six applicants were interviewed and an offer has been accepted by Kristen Copeland a current part-time front desk associate and tot care worker. Kristen will start her new full-time position in March.

Director Schaffer reported that the Health Fair went well with over 20 vendors and that the Mother-Son Superhero Date Night was a great success!

Director Schaffer announced that the 2017 budget will not be finalized until mid-February as invoices for items purchased are still coming in, but that all park fund expenses accounts are expected to be under budget.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

a) Proposition L – April 3

Shall the City of Des Peres continue to impose a current sales tax of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1.0%) for the purposes of funding local parks and recreation facilities for the City including The Lodge? ___ Yes ___ No

Director Schaffer provided a Proposition L flyer to the Commission and reviewed. The flyer will be going out in the March newsletter as an insert as well as online.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

- a. Daddy Daughter Dinner Dance – Saturday, February 3
- b. Community CPR and AED Training – Sunday, February 11
- c. President’s Day Yoga for EveryBODY – Monday, February 19
- d. Baseball/Softball Field Lottery – Tuesday, February 20
- e. Municipal Election – Tuesday, April 3
- f. Next Commission Meeting – Thursday, April 5, The Lodge Oak Room

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Reeves motioned to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. Commissioner Hufford seconded the motion. Those present voted as follows: Commissioners Amend, aye; Foshage, aye; Duggan, aye; Theising, aye; Ganninger, aye; Corley, aye. Motion approved.