

Minutes of the Meeting
of the Municipal Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
of the Town of Thompson's Station, Tennessee
August 1, 2017

Call to Order:

The meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board of the Town of Thompson's Station was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on the 1st day of August, 2017 at the Thompson's Station Community Center with the required quorum. Members, aldermen and staff in attendance were: Chairman Jim Van Vleet; Alderman Brian Stover; Board Member Sheila Shipman; Board Member David Coleman; Board Member Layla Bell; Board Member Becky Clark; and Town Planner Wendy Deats. Board Member Kreis White was unable to attend.

Chairman Van Vleet asked for a moment of silence in recognition of Sarah Benson after which Chairman Van Vleet, Board Member Coleman, Alderman Stover and Mrs. Deats made comments about Sarah Benson and her love and commitment for serving the community over the years.

Business:

1. **Approval of Minutes** – The minutes of the June 6, 2017 and June 22, 2017 meetings were submitted.

Board Member Coleman made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2017 and June 22, 2017 meetings. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

2. **Budget Report** – Mrs. Deats reviewed her report and stated that the contract for Mr. Richards will be presented to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for review and approval and a contract is under review with Hodgson Douglas for the design work at Preservation Park.

Board Member Stover made a motion to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded and carried by all.

3. **5K Run/Walk** – Paul Schmitz discussed his non-profit organization Shower Up and is interested in partnering with the Town on a 5K walk/run in the Spring. The Parks Board expressed interest in pursuing the event for early spring and Chairman Van Vleet and Aldermen Stover will meet with Mr. Schmitz to prepare a proposal for the event and will submit it to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for approval. Board Member Shipman suggested timing the event with the grand opening of the new trails within Preservation Park if possible.

4. **Cycle For Life** – Mr. Tracy with the Nashville Cystic Fibrosis Foundation requested a deferral to the September meeting.

5. **Park Rental Fees** – Mrs. Deats reviewed her memo outlining the fees charged for park rentals in surrounding cities and recommended the fees remain in place in the current amount. The Parks Board agreed with the findings to keep the fees in the current amount.

6. **Preservation Park Trail Update**

- a. **Trails** – Mrs. Deats updated the Board on trail construction noting that Mr. Richards contract will be reviewed by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in August. After approval of the contract, Mr. Richards will begin working on the next phase of the trail.

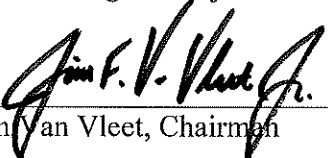
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- b. **Design Work on Amphitheater and trails** – Mrs. Deats updated the Board noting that the Hodgson Douglas contract was still under review.
 - c. **Trail Naming** – This will be discussed at the September meeting.
7. **Dog & Pony Show update** – Mrs. Deats stated that we have received \$7,650 in sponsorships. Several events are confirmed for the event, including a suspended gravity circus, pumpkin chunkin, pumpkin painting, pet contests which include a costume contest and a pet/owner look alike along with many other activities. Many of these events are also geared toward children as well at the Vanderbilt Children's Stage.

Chairman Van Vleet requested a link to the 5K be included on the Town's website and Facebook site.

Adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.



Jim Van Vleet, Chairman