

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PARK COMMISSION
CITY OF UNIVERSITY CITY, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2020**

Agenda Item A: Call Meeting to Order

Park Commission President, Carl Hoagland called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

Agenda Item B: Roll Call

Those in attendance included Commission President Carl Hoagland, Commission Vice-President Kevin Taylor, Commission Members Su Schmalz, James Wilke, Lisa Hummel, James Redd and Meg Ullman. Also, in attendance was Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry Darren Dunkle. Not in attendance was City Council Liaison Steve McMahon.

Agenda Item C: Approval of the Agenda

Commission Member Wilke motioned, and Commission Member Hummel seconded to approve the Agenda. The motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

Agenda Item D: Approval of Minutes

Commission Member Wilke motioned, and Commission Member Hummel seconded to approve the minutes of October 20, 2020. The motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

Agenda Item E: Citizen Comments

None

Agenda Item F: Department Report

- 1) Mr. Dunkle reported that with the recent COVID orders from the County, staff has had to develop and submit operations plans for the tennis courts and golf course describing how the City planned on complying with the new guidelines.
- 2) Mr. Dunkle was asked when the netting was scheduled to be replaced at the driving range. Mr. Dunkle reported that he was waiting on the receipt of the Contract, Insurance and Performance Bond. He further stated that once these items had been received, he would issue a Notice to Proceed.
- 3) Mr. Dunkle was asked why Kaufmann and Kingsland Park Playgrounds were closed. Mr. Dunkle reported that both playgrounds did not meet surfacing standards, thus they would remain closed until the surfacing was replaced in the spring.
- 4) Mr. Dunkle reported that the City had received the Municipal Parks Grant for the Ackert Park redevelopment project and that a Consultant would be brought on board soon and work will begin on the Design Development stage of the project.
- 5) Mr. Dunkle was asked if the indoor soccer field was open as the Sporting St. Louis soccer group has flyers stating that Centennial Commons is one of their locations for events. Mr. Dunkle stated that Centennial Commons remains closed and that the City hasn't issued any permits for such use.

Agenda Item G: Council Report

None

Agenda Item H: Commission Report

- 1) Flynn Park Tennis Courts – It was reported that a large number of non-authorized lessons or classes continue to be conducted. Signage is located near the main entrance gate. Need to place and discuss tennis court rules, regulations, policies, etc. at January meeting.
- 2) Golf Course
 - Historical Sign has been missing and has been in repair for several years. Mr. Dunkle stated that he would investigate it.
 - Open/Closed sign on swinging gate near the Club House is missing. Mr. Dunkle stated that he would investigate it.

Agenda Item I: Unfinished Business

- 1) Parks Capital Improvement Priorities – Park Commission President Hoagland suggested that everyone review the document as well as the Commission 2020 Plan and be prepared to discuss and vote on priorities at the January meeting.
- 2) FY21 Budget Report – Discussion by Commission Members took place regarding various revenues and expenses within the Golf, Park Maintenance and Parks/Stormwater Sales Tax Fund.

Agenda Item J: New Business

None

Agenda Item K: Commission Comments

- 1) Heman Park Pool Contract - Commission Vice-President Taylor made a comment on the Bid Information as well as who pays for lifeguard certifications.
- 2) Golf Course Fees – Commission Schmalz made a comment on the Golf Course fees and that she feels that the City's fees are higher than other courses. Ms. Schmalz asked that the Golf Course fees be placed on the January agenda for discussion.

Agenda Item #11: Adjournment

Commission Member Wilke made a motion at 7:32 pm, seconded by Commission Member Hummel to adjourn. The motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

MINUTES SUBJECT TO PARKS COMMISSION APPROVAL.