

**GRAIN VALLEY PARK BOARD**  
**MINUTES**  
December 13, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Vice President, Jared English.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Brian Bray (President), Jared English (Vice President), Becky Gray (Secretary), Mike Switzer, Adam Hoover, Lisa Limberg, Shawn Brady, Dale Arnold (Alderman Liaison), Shannon Davies (Director)

**ABSENT:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- a. **APPROVED ABSENCE:** Chuck Harris. Motion by Jared English to remove Becky Gray from “Approved Absence” and adding Chuck Harris to “Approved Absence.”  
Seconded by Lisa Limberg.
- b. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Jared English, seconded by Norm Combs to approve the October Minutes. Motion carried.
- c. **CANCELLATION OF NEXT MONTH’S MEETING:** No action

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

- a. **REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:**  
Shannon provided info on their list of payables since our last meeting as well the current YTD for the 2022 fiscal year. The pool pump was replaced, which was a budgeted item.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:**

- a. None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a. **Veteran’s Tribute** – Norm Combs and Mike Switzer
  - i. Nothing new to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **Christina “Kiki” Claphan Memorial Playground** – Shannon Davies
  - i. Shannon stated that he has submitted to Missouri State Parks the documents they need to allow us to use our on call engineering firm, Lamp Rynearson to survey and design as well draft the scope/specs for this project. Per LWCF Grant stipulations, they want us to go out for bid for these services, but this would delay the start of this project even further. Once we get the approval from the State, we can then meet with Lamp Rynearson to get started and work toward the advertisement for project bids.

- b. **City Comprehensive Plan and Parks Master Plan** – Shannon Davies
  - i. There have been two steering committee meetings so far.
  - ii. Surveys are set to go out in the mail to a random sample of residents next month. The goal is to get at least 400 completed surveys.
  - iii. A joint meeting with the Board of Aldermen, Planning & Zoning Commission, and Park Board is scheduled for January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.
  - iv. Shannon reminded the board that ARPA funds are completely covering the cost of the Parks Master Plan.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Election of 2023 Officers** – Board Discussion/Vote
  - i. President: Norm Combs nominated Brian Bray. There were no other nominations. Norm Combs made a motion to close nominations and elect Brian Bray to the office of President by acclamation. Seconded by Shawn Brady.
  - ii. Vice President: Norm Combs nominated Jared English. There were no other nominations. Norm Combs made a motion to close nominations and elect Jared English to the office of Vice President by acclamation. Seconded by Shawn Brady.
  - iii. Secretary: Norm Combs nominated Lisa Limberg. Lisa Limberg declined the nomination. Becky Gray nominated Mike Switzer. Mike Switzer declined the nomination. Lisa Limberg nominated Shawn Brady. There were no other nominations. Norm Combs made a motion to close nominations and elect Shawn Brady to the office of Secretary. Seconded by Jared English.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

- a. **Operational Updates**
  - i. Shannon stated that Brandin Hallier will start as the new Recreation Supervisor the first week in January. Shannon will have him in attendance at the February meeting.
- b. **City Updates**
  - i. Mid Continent Library Project Update: Construction of this facility is well underway. Mid Continent is required to install the section of trail along Buckner-Tarsney Road that fronts their property. Their parking lot will be available for people wanting to access this trail. There will also be greenspace to the north of the new building that will be maintained by the parks division that will hopefully be a future trailhead.
  - ii. MoDOT funding for recreational trails on Buckner-Tarsney Road and SW Eagles Parkway: Shannon stated that Dick Tuttle, our City Engineer applied for TAP (Transportation Alternatives Program) funding for these two trails.

- iii. The City was awarded \$328,660 in TAP funds for the Buckner-Tarsney trail project and \$413,660 in TAP funds for the SW Eagle Parkway trail project. TAP funds are an 80%(TAP)/20%(City) match. These funds are programmed for 2025. However, we have budgeted to get the design completed for the Buckner-Tarsney trail section this year just in case unclaimed 2024 funds through MoDOT become available so that we are ready to move forward a year earlier if the opportunity arises.

**c. Past/Current Programs/Special Events**

- i. Downtown Spooktacular – 10/28
- ii. Preschool Player’s Basketball
- iii. Storytime with Mrs. Claus
- iv. Mayor’s Tree Lighting & Holiday Festival – 12/1
- v. Ugly Sweater Contest

**d. Upcoming Programs/Special Events**

- i. Candy Cane Hunt – 12/17
- ii. Christmas Tree Drop-off – Starts 12/26
- iii. Mini Munchkins – 1/5
- iv. Father-Daughter Valentine Dance – 2/5

**TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING:**

- a. Christina “Kiki” Claphan Memorial Playground
- b. City Comprehensive Plan and Parks Master Plan
- c. 2023 Budget

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Norm Combs, seconded by Shawn Brady to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Next regular meeting: January 17, 2023 (Joint Boards Meeting)