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ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

June 17, 2024 5:30 PM

MINUTES

In attendance were Eva Hansen, Mandy Giust, Landen Stevenson, Mark Tongen, Nate Webster, Trey Peterson

Absent: Jon Sears, David Hyder, Megan Hauser

Luke Kinsland, Director, staffed the meeting.

Call to Order: Eva called the meeting to order at 5:42pm

Chair Eva Hansen opened the June meeting and welcomed those in attendance.

Minutes: Mark motioned to approve the May minutes and Landen seconded. The May minutes were approved unanimously.

Old Business:

- East Street Park basketball court was discussed. We have a quote from Dan Grady Co LLC for \$26,000 to completely reconstruct it. Kiwanis is willing to pay \$16,000. \$10,500 is needed to make the project a reality
- A brick paving fundraiser is now underway to replace the old wooden playground structure at Rec Park. Luke explained how the project will hopefully go.
- The first ever skate competition was a success. We made \$680 in revenue. We are hoping to do another competition next year with more sponsorship dollars.
- County funding to parks and rec is still a challenge. We discussed that a group of spokespeople will need to approach the county next year during budget planning to persuade commissioners.
- Soccer is going well, and Parks will explore the possibility of having some food trucks to generate additional revenue.

25th Rec Center Anniversary 12/25 & Fund-Raising Opportunity:

Mandy led the discussion on developments with Kick-It Events for the Rec Center 25th anniversary event.

- A proposed date of October 4th for the 5k.
- A sponsorship committee will be needed to gain sponsors

New Business/Director's Report:

- Luke gave an update on current projects. The greenway paving across Richland Creek is complete. Ceiling repairs will need to be made at the Armory due to a piece of duct work falling. Bathrooms at OK Park are now open and a ribbon cutting will be held next Wednesday at 5:30pm. We have two IT proposals for expanding internet access and adding A/V equipment in the multipurpose rooms. We will try to get this IT work going in July.
- Staffing Status: Hiring for a Maintenance Tech, Program Supervisor, Program Specialist, and Lifeguards
- Summer Camp is going well.

Other Business/Chair's Comments:

None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm

Chair's signature: Eva Hansen

Respectfully Submitted, Eva Hansen, Chairman