

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ADVISORY PARK BOARD CITY OF BRANSON, MISSOURI MAY 16, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The Advisory Park Board of the City of Branson, Missouri, met in Regular Session at the Branson RecPlex on May 16, 2023 at 5:15 PM. The meeting was called to order.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Candy Sullinger, Donald DeHart, Jody Madaras, Mica Farley, Scott Wuest, Lane McConnell, Michael Young. Members Absent: Marshall Howden, Julie Wilson, Scott McCaulley.

REGULAR AGENDA:

1. APPROVAL OF THE ADVISORY PARK BOARD MINUTES FOR MARCH 21, 2023.

Mica Farley moved to approve the item, seconded by Jody Madaras.

Voting aye: Sullinger, DeHart, Madaras, Farley, Wuest, McConnell, Young. Nays: none. Motion.

2. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL REPORT.

Cindy gave an overview of the March 31, 2023 park financials. Discussion was held among the board members and staff.

3. CAMPGROUND EXPANSION UPDATE.

Cindy discussed with the board the new Branson Lakeside RV Park expansion. She shared with them the drawing of the potential new campground area. Board members and staff held discussion.

4. LOCAL TOURISM ASSET DEVELOPMENT GRANT UPDATE.

Cindy reviewed the ARPA Grant Improvement Project power point that details the grant award and summarizes the project, which will include installation of turf on the ball fields, LED lighting and shade structures. Staff and board members held discussion.

5. TRAIL SUMMIT REPORT.

Cindy provided a copy of the power point that was presented at the recent Trails Summit hosted by the Branson Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce & CVB. Cindy highlighted the goals of the summit and the list of speakers, adding that Marshall Howden, Mica Farley and Scott Wuest were all in attendance. Discussion was held among the staff and board members.

REPORTS

Jody inquired about the possibility of getting lids for the trash receptacles at Stockstill Park so that animals couldn't so easily access the trash.

Donald asked about the possibility of grants for solar power or car charging stations. Cindy responded that she can inquire and had looked at solar as an option several years ago. Donald also inquired about the possibility of grant writing classes.

Lane inquired if the City of Branson had ever considered an indoor pool. Cindy explained that there had been discussions in the past and that funding was an obstacle. Cindy added that a partnership with the hospital and school would be more sustainable if a pool was considered in the future.

Mica shared that her kids really enjoyed baseball and wanted to express her appreciation to Josh and everything he does.

ADJOURN

Scott Wuest moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:56pm., seconded by Michael Young.

Voting aye: Sullinger, DeHart, Madaras, Farley, Wuest, McConnell, Young. Nays: none. Motion Carried.