



HARRISONVILLE

Parks & Recreation

MINUTES
CITY OF HARRISONVILLE
PARK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2024
6:00 PM

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Laura Frees.

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Aaron Bollinger	Harrisonville		Present	
David Atkinson	Harrisonville		Absent	
Cathy Faris	Harrisonville		Present	
Laura Frees	Harrisonville		Present	
Ed Roberts	Harrisonville		Present	
Kim Troby	Harrisonville		Present	
Vanessa Hargrave	Harrisonville		Absent	
Mindy Sidwell	Harrisonville		Present	
Joe Parkhurst	Harrisonville		Present	

Others present were Mayor Zaring, Parks & Recreation Director Grant Purkey, Parks & Recreation Assistant Director Nichole Cogbill, Sandy Franklin, and Business Manager Brian Haines

II. Public Participation – (none)

III. Ceremonial Matters (none)

IV. Approval of Minutes

1. July 9, 2024 Park Board Minutes

- a. Motion to accept by Aaron Bollinger with a second by Ed Roberts. Motion carried.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Aaron Bollinger, Cathy Faris, Laura Frees, Ed Roberts, Kim Troby, Mindy Sidwell, Joe Parkhurst

ABSENT: David Atkinson, Vanessa Hargrave

ABSTAIN:

V. Parks & Recreation Department

1. Director's Report

a. HCC Memberships

1. Total monthly visits 10,737 about 900 more visits compared to last month

b. ODP Updates

1. Total ODP season passes 408 with 1,531 members

2. Total visits 5,776
3. Will have final outdoor pool numbers next month
- c. Account Balances
 1. Harrisonville Parks and Recreation foundation balance: \$22,744.42, increased a little bit. We did install a memorial bench for Mrs. Sue Ross on the west side of the dam.
 2. Harrisonville Dog Park Balance: \$7,214.79, had an increase due to fundraising. Would like to purchase two 14 x 14 shade structures. The cost \$6,000 each and are similar to what we have at the outdoor pool. They are made to withstand snow load, so they can stay up all year or be removed in the fall and re-installed in the spring. Doggie Dive on August 24th is another fundraising opportunity.
- d. Administration
 1. Director Purkey attended the Royal Street Extension meetings on July 10th and July 12th. A plan has been selected and was sent to MODOT. Currently waiting on MODOT's approval at the state level before moving forward to the next phase. The final details of the plan including the ballfields, rodeo arena, and activity center have not been determined yet. We have been communicating with 4-H about the need to find a subsequent location for activities during the construction phase.
 2. Staff attended a budget training on August 9th. This year a minimum wage increase will be on the ballot, so we will bring potential rate increases to next months meeting for review.
 3. Director Purkey met with local skate park enthusiast to discuss ideas for future skate park. American ramp company has provided some costs for building the park which were shared with the enthusiast. The feedback from the enthusiast was that they just want to create a concrete pad with some small features, just a place to skate.
- e. Community Center
 1. Staff and Air Experts repaired the fan on the pool HVAC. Now the unit needs more repairs. Waiting on quotes for the next fix.
 2. Set up for the South Kansas City Community Band Concert.
 3. Repaired two hot tub pumps, breaker box, valve and currently waiting on new heater.
 4. Built flower bed on the northeast corner of the center. Elks lodge provided landscaping stones. Used grant funding to pay for the plants.
- f. Parks
 1. Repaired vandalism at shelter #3, shingles and breaker box.
 2. Installed new park and boat rule signs
 3. Installed new trail map signs
 4. Installed new jail stone history sign. The stones came from the Cass County jail built in 1860. The stones were used at Lake Luna until 1960. In 2021 we took them out and have been using them in projects.
 5. Removed 49 dumped tires from upper ballfields, removed 4 mattresses dumped at the golf course. Located the gentleman that dumped the tires and the police department told him he had one day to remove the tires or they will be turning him into the state for charges. Could not locate the culprit for the mattresses.
- g. Aquatics
 1. Swim lessons had 20 group participants and 6 private participants
 2. Currently 24 lifeguards on staff

- h. Recreation
 - 1. Tiny Tot T-ball registration now open
 - 2. Solid registration numbers for all of the fall sports.
 - i. Fitness
 - 1. We have been monitoring fitness class attendance and had to cancel some classes that had consistently low attendance.
 - 2. Laura asked how many people are using fitness on demand. Not many, we will likely downsize from two TVs to one in January.
 - j. Events
 - 1. Drive in movie featuring Bad Guys August 23rd at North Park. It will be a true drive in movie experience featuring a transmitter that will play the movie sound on the car stereos.
 - 2. Harrisonville High School boat races held at City Lake on August 11. Didn't hear any complaints. A lot of people attended the event.
 - k. Programs
 - 1. Summer Camp has had almost 900 participants for the whole summer and surpassed the revenue budget
2. Budget Report
- a. Outdoor Pool Day Passes: Budgeted for \$68,230 and we are at \$74,490
 - b. Concessions: Budgeted for \$29,923 and we are at \$32,915
 - c. Outdoor Pool Season Passes: Budgeted for \$50,667 and we are at \$48,921
 - d. Summer Camp: Budgeted for \$89,589 and we are at \$92,261
 - e. Outdoor Pool Rental: Budgeted for \$11,037 and we are at \$10,177
 - f. Had a SWOT meeting today about outdoor pool and we are really excited about next year.
3. Discussion Item
- a. Parks and Recreation Fund
 - 1. Laura asked if there is anything still owed on the new playground. Grant confirmed that there is nothing owed and we still have \$17,000 remaining. They said hold that money for future repairs. We did install a trash receptacle to help with litter in that area.
4. Other Business
- a. Cathy asked if we had found a personal trainer. We have interviewed candidates but did not move forward with hiring.
 - b. Laura commented on the display in the community center for the doggie dive fundraising raffle.
 - c. Laura commended everyone for their work at the outdoor pool. Word on the street is overall positive.
 - d. Ed said thank you for help with the concert and the school district for the tarp to cover the gym floor
 - e. Mayor Zaring said thanks to all of the Parks and Recreation staff for all that they do.
5. Laura Frees motioned to adjourn. Motion to accept by Ed Roberts. Second by Cathy Faris. The meeting was adjourned at 6:48pm.

Next Regular Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, September 9, 2024

Laura Frees, Chairman

ATTEST:

Brian Haines, Recording Secretary