

Brookville Board of Park Trustees
Regular Meeting
June 11, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville Board of Park Trustees was called to order by President Blevins at 7:30 p.m. on June 11, 2024 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Trustees Cordes, Haney and Wilson; Council Liaison Fowler, Manager Kuntz and Clerk Duncan were present.

Roll call by President Blevins.

Motion by Haney, second by Cordes to approve the Agenda as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Cordes, second by Wilson to approve the May 14, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Matt Moler, Scoutmaster of Troop 47, requested the use of the old BMX storage building to store retired U.S. Flags until they can be destroyed and to store the flags for the Optimist Flag Program. The scouts are running out of space in their building as the pack has grown, and will soon be called Scouting of America, which will include both boys and girls. Mr. Moler also thanked the City of Brookville for installing their new flagpole.

Motion by Haney, second by Wilson to approve Troop 47's use of the old BMX storage building for flag storage. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Kuntz reported park permits are at \$27,602.50 this year through May. The city has received \$1,010.00 in donations year-to-date through the month of May. Donations were at \$15,720.00 during the same period in 2023.

Manager Kuntz reported the new inclusive playground at Golden Gate Park is scheduled to be installed at the end of June. Once installed, city staff will complete the new sidewalk going from the Brookville Theater parking lot to the new playground, ensuring the playground is accessible to all.

Manager Kuntz reported the new toddler swing set has been installed at Ward Park along with new borders and mulch.

Manager Kuntz reported the Service Department has recently cleared weeds along the creek bank, installed the fountain and repaired electrical lines for the restrooms at Golden Gate Park. They also installed the irrigation pump at the soccer fields at Westbrook Park.

Manager Kuntz reported Law Director Stephan is researching the new state legislation legalizing recreational marijuana use and its impact on what our signage needs to say to prohibit the outdoor use of marijuana in city parks. New signage will then be installed throughout city park.

Manager Kuntz reported staff will be looking into possible locations for additional parking at Golden Gate Park. With the expansion of some of the sports leagues that use Golden Gate, it has become very

apparent additional parking is needed. Staff will be discussing various options internally before coming up with a recommendation to the Park Board in the next couple of months.

Manager Kuntz reported staff recently had a conference call with The Fitness Court. This 38'x38' outside fitness court is about the size of half a tennis court and would provide another recreational option for Brookville residents. Fairborn and Springboro currently are the two communities closest to us that have them. Total installation for one of these courts is approximately \$150,000- \$225,000. There are grants available for between \$30,000 - \$50,000. Staff isn't sure if we have the capacity to take on a facility like this, due to the parking needs at Golden Gate Park and Westbrook Park and the limited space at other parks. The cost is also something the city does not necessarily have the capacity to take on at this time. If it is something the Park Board would like staff to discuss with City Council, we can move it forward at one of the July Council meetings.

Member Wilson stated she thinks a fitness court would be awesome. It may give older kids something to do other than break things.

Member Haney commented it is a lot of money.

Manager Kuntz stated the grant would only fund 25% of it. Additional funding would have to be secured. Manager Kuntz advised Park Board should submit any ideas to staff on where a fitness court could be located.

Trustee Cordes had no report.

Member Haney had no report.

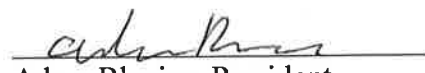
Member Wilson asked if the part is in to fix the twisty slide at Golden Gate Park? It appears someone could get hurt on the slide.

Manager Kuntz replied he will have the Service Department make this repair as soon as possible.

President Blevins stated the parks all look great and thanked the Service Department for their hard work.

President Blevins commented the Third Thursday Event at Gruenig Park is going well and drawing quite a few people.

Motion by Wilson, second by Cordes to adjourn.


Kimberly Duncan, Clerk
Adam Blevins, President