

Minutes
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Regular Meeting
Richardson Room, 411 W. Arapaho Rd.
February 9, 2021
6:00 p.m.

Member absent: Steve Hendry

PARD Staff in attendance: Director Lori Smeby, Assistant Director Dan Baker, Assistant Director Yvonne Falgout, Superintendent of Recreation Spencer Doyle, and Administrative Secretary Paula Vieregge

Attending Commission Members:

Gene Fitch, Jr. - Chairman
Victor Garza – Member
Nancy Crowe – Member

Glenn Folse - Member
Gregory Kish - Member
Kimberly Sisco – Member

1. Chairman Gene Fitch called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. Approval of Minutes
 - January 12, 2021 minutes were approved unanimously. Member Kim Sisco made a motion to approve and member Nancy Crowe seconded the motion.
3. Action Item
 - Recommend amendment – Parks Ordinance 15-61 (28) The ordinance was approved unanimously. Member Kim Sisco made a motion to approve and member Nancy Crowe seconded the motion.
4. Discussion Items
 - Annual Budget Letter – Chairman Gene Fitch and Lori Smeby spoke to the group about different options for this year's budget letter. The members spent time talking about their ideas. After discussing, the group will do the scoring at home and use a portion of the March meeting to determine priorities and finalize ideas for the letter.
5. Director's Reports
 - Parks/Planning – Dan Baker
 - (1) 911 trail signage at Spring Creek Nature Area and Breckinridge – determining where the real needs are.
 - (2) Turf building at six parks – Neighborhood park fields will be aerified, topdressed and verticut. This will level the fields and increase the turf quality. These six parks are scheduled to be revamped: Richland, Heights, Yale, Huffhines, Woodland, and Creek Hollow.
 - Recreation/Athletics/Events – Yvonne Falgout
 - (1) Senior Center renovation – At the March meeting we will have updated information of the renovation.
 - (2) Summer staff hiring is now underway.
 - (3) Art of Love Valentine – collecting Valentine cards, to be distributed to seniors living centers & assisted living locations.
 - Administration – Lori Smeby

Bond propositions for November election presented to Council

 - (1) Breckinridge park includes trail extensions, one completing a full loop around the park, playground relocation, putting in a new playground near the Keffler ballfields, and improvements to the parking lot including an addition, and erosion control to the pedestrian bridge.
 - (2) Activation phase for Apollo Road property.
 - (3) Glenville Drive property activation phase.
 - (4) Complete loops on trails – four park trails are being considered.
 - (5) Playground redevelopment – a list of ten playgrounds.
6. Department Calendar Items
 - Next meeting is March 9th

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7. Items of interest

- Member Victor Garza – pass.
- Member Nancy Crowe – Crowley park trash bash was a success.
- Member Greg Kish- pass.
- Member Glenn Folse – pass.
- Member Kim Sisco – pass.
- Chairman Gene Fitch – interested in an update on the dog park.

8. Chairman Gene Fitch adjourned the meeting at 7:54 PM with a motion to adjourn by member Glenn Folse, and a second by Greg Kish. It was unanimous by the group.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Paula Vieregge, City of Richardson Parks & Recreation Department

Minutes approved at March 9, 2021, regular meeting:

Gene Fitch, Chairman