



Minutes
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Monday, February 27, 2012

6:00 PM

Recreation Office, 2920 Douglas

1. Roll Call

Present: 5 - Marianne Chambers, Janyce Rippili, Tim Temples, John Green and Louis LaPierre

Staff Present

Absent: Jessica Sanchez, Teen Representative

Staff Present: Rich Bemm, Dick Mueller, Curt Nedved, and Dave Campbell

Others Present: Justin Noel, Marc Wallace, Brian Hewitt, Peter Rybar, Amanda Johnson, Deana Mateo, Mike Mendenhall, and Fabio Aloe

Chairperson Temples called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Rich Bemm reviewed and explained to board members how to fill out the electronic Capital Improvement Projects form in Excel.

2. Approval of Minutes

The January 23, 2012 regular meeting minutes were unanimously approved on a motion from John Green which was seconded by Marianne Chambers.

Attachments: [January 23 2012 Park Board Minutes.pdf](#)

3. Arbor Day Proclamation

Rich Bemm asked for a volunteer from the board to accept the Arbor Day Proclamation at the March 22nd city council meeting. Louis La Pierre volunteered to attend the council meeting to accept the proclamation.

4. Park Grant Interviews

Prior to beginning the interviews, board members reviewed the rating forms and interview questions. Project information was then presented from the following four youth sports organizations:

Western Youth Baseball

Justin Noel and Marc Wallace requested \$6,054.26 in field improvements to include portable pitching mounds and raised permanent fencing at John Null Park. These improvements are needed to meet new Cal Ripken sanction field regulations to serve local youth and attract tournaments.

Longview Babe Ruth

Brian Hewitt and Peter Rybar requested \$3,000 for new insulation and decking to the batting cage at Roy Morse Park. These improvements will benefit community and school use of the building.

Central Youth Baseball

Amanda Johnson, Deana Mateo and Mike Mendenhall requested \$7,293.43 to raise the fence, field improvements and complete the bullpen pitching warm up area at Archie Anderson Park. These improvements are needed to meet new Cal Ripken sanction field regulations to serve local youth and attract tournaments.

Longview Soccer Club (3 projects)

Fabio Aloe presented three projects with a request totaling \$18,719 to develop a new field, provide field fence/netting and purchase a mower at 7th Avenue Park. The improvements will serve local youth and attract additional tournament teams.

After the youth sports presentations board members discussed the projects and rating criteria.

*On a motion by Tim Temples and second by John Green the board unanimously approved the following projects for recommendation to the city council for funding:
Western Youth Baseball - \$6054.26
Central Youth Baseball - \$7,293.43
Longview Soccer Club - \$11,652.31*

5. Board Member Comments

There were no additional comments from board members.

6. Adjournment

Chairperson Temples adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Submitted by Dick Mueller, Recreation Superintendent