



Claremont Parks & Recreation

Minutes

Date: July 8, 2013

6:00 PM @ CSBCC

Board Members:	Toby Batchelder, Jeff Coburn, Jim Feleen, Mike Foote, Ted Hopkins, Wayne McElreavy, John Napsey, Jodi Tenney, Carolyn Towle
Other Invitees:	Scott Bouranis, Jeff Chase, Scott Hausler, Les, St.Pierre
Attendees:	Jeff Chase, Jeff Coburn, Jim Feleen, Bill Flynn, Scott Hausler, Mike Foote, Charlene Lovett, Wayne McElreavy, Les, St.Pierre, Jodi Tenney, Carolyn Towle
Excused:	Toby Batchelder, Scott Bouranis, Ted Hopkins, John Napsey,
Next Meeting:	Monday, August 12, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: Jeff Coburn called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the minutes as presented for the meeting of 6/10/13 was made by Jeff Chase, seconded by Carolyn Towle Vote: Unanimous Approved

Monthly meeting of June 10, 2013

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update regarding the Trust – Jim Feleen
 - Letter Draft – Letter was sent to the Mayor and cc'd to City Manager but currently waiting to see if it is added the agenda for the next Council meeting. Carolyn asked if someone should plan to attend the meeting and Jeff C, Scott and Jim said they plan to attend.
- Smoking Ordinance in Parks – Scott Hausler sent an email to City Attorney to see if follow-up had been done with Laconia lawyer.
- Membership Update – Scott Hausler Over 1700 units and 3800 members as of the end of June.
- Replacement of Locker Room carpet – Scott Hausler A&E Flooring will be coming by to visit the site and determine the timing needed to replace the carpet with tile flooring.
- Factory St Parking – Scott Hausler mentioned to Nancy Merrill that he would like to discuss this situation. Carolyn has asked if we had sent a letter to the tenants and Scott said none had been sent. Wayne asked if it should really be considered a park of did City want to keep it for potential future projects.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Revitalization of Broad St. Park – Bill Flynn from Saucier & Flynn Landscape Architects
 - Fundraising Efforts – Charlene Lovett
- Bill shared with the group a preliminary drawing he had done with suggested ideas. He explained that prior to coming up with a design he like to look at the history of the area including the city/town. He found that Claremont has a significant history and made significant contributions toward the Civil War and felt that there would be grants that could help fund a renovation project such as this.
- Charlene as well as other family members have served or are currently serving our Country and share a passion for this project and would like to help with a primary interest of providing lighting for the existing

monuments. She has several good ideas for raising funds and would like to try to do this in conjunction with the City's 250th Celebration.

Several comments were made and questions ask by those members in attendance.

- Mike F – Tree plan – how many will be replace? Need a hook to get people interested.
- Carolyn T – How does Scott feel this will be rolled out? Scott didn't feel there would be any problem with completing this project in phases if that is what was needed. Nothing should conflict.
- Jeff C – Can we visit Broad St Park next month? Good idea!
- Les S – What kind of benches will be added and how with the fence be with the Farmers Market? They are not sure on the benches but were thinking of some type of concrete. They have toyed around the fence idea, the original recommendation was to help with small children and adding a barrier so they don't run out into traffic. There have been discussions about having a section of the fence that can be removed to help with the Farmers Market and possibly other events. Everything is still up for discussion.
- Jim F – What about procedures on how to advance should there be collaboration between us and the 250th Committee. Charlene has also visited the 250th Committee and does not mind being the liaison between the two groups.
- Mike F – How much money would we need before ground breaking?
- Charlene – Stated that this is bigger than just Claremont.
- Scott H – We don't need a formal plan in order for Charlene to begin raising money for lighting.
- Charlene – Stated she will be going to the City Council and bring this topic up during the Public Forum.

DIRECTORS REPORT: Please see attached copy

NON-AGENDA:

Outdoor Pool – Is there an update – Scott said that it was going to be discussed at a Council meeting and that another study was going to be done to evaluate the true cost of what it would take to update the current facility.

PARKING LOT:

- Strategic Planning
- Capital Improvement Project (CIP)
- Merging of the Boards
- Restoration of the Cannon
- Jason W. Hagerman Memorial Pavilion
- Restoration of the Broad Street Park
- Memberships
- Board Members

Motion to adjourn the meeting of 7/8/13 at 8:10 PM was made by Jeff Chase, seconded by Wayne McElreavy Vote:
Unanimous Approved

Respectfully Submitted,
Jolene Tenney
Secretary