



Town of Atherton
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
November 6th, 2019
Regular Meeting
6:30 PM
Main House
150 Watkins Ave

1. ROLL CALL

Committee Members: John Davey (Chair), Christine David (Vice-Chair), Alex Keh-absent, Frank Merrill, Julianna Robertson - absent, Robert Roeser, Marylue Timpson
Councilmember Liaisons: Rick DeGolia
Staff: Sally Bentz-Dalton

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS – none

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – _ October Minutes – Motion by Vice Chair Christine David, Second by Marylue Timpson. Motion Passed unanimously.

4. PRESENTATIONS – Knox Playschool Update- Susan Knox gave an update on the Playschool. The school is fully enrolled in the morning and 22 of the students are Atherton residents. She stated the roof is not leaking. Parking is still a challenge. She would like some ivy removed, a small tree moved, the fence fixed, and two places on the floor that are cracking to be repaired.

5. REGULAR AGENDA

5a. Discussion and action on alternative locations(s) of an art piece inside Holbrook-Palmer Park donated by the Park Foundation. Staff will present recommendations to City Council on November 20th.

Timpson stated that the Park Foundation did not want to make a recommendation and would like to postpone.

Merrill made a motion to revisit this item in December 2019. Second by Timpson. Motion passed unanimously.

5b. Discussion and action on alternative location(s) of an off-leash dog area at Holbrook-Palmer Park. Staff will present recommendation to City Council on November 20th.

Staff discussed locations. Rick Toughly from Selby Lane stated it would be nice to have a place for dogs to run.

Parking issues and traffic were discussed. As well as cleaning of the dog area, blowing, how to enter, management of volunteers and a ranger.

Timpson's choice was number 3 because it is away from kids and least expensive. She mentioned to keep the neighbor's in mind. Merrill mentioned what it would cost per square footage. He asked if there would be an annual membership and what the tennis concerns were. He had no preference to either location 3 or 4. Roeser's choice was either location 1 or 3. Roeser stated that if funded that funds should allow for maintenance so that what happened to the Clay court wouldn't happen again. David's choice was number 3 which could be opened all day and second choice was number 4. Davey's first choice was number 3 then 4.

Timpson made a motion to recommend location number 3 to the City Council. Second by Roeser. Passed unanimously.

5c. Discussion of what to present and action to be taken for the Park and Recreation presentation to City Council on November 20th.

It was discussed that John Davey would give the presentation with Christine David. Discussion items that were discussed were the status of master plan, vision, 2-3 accomplishments and issues that faced the park.

5d. Review Park Stakeholders 2019 List of Park Projects for a future recommendation to the City Council for the 2020-2021 budget.

No discrepancies with list.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS – None

7. COMMITTEE AND STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS

7a. Foundation report: Frank Merrill - Commented on new Art location.

7b. Friends of the Park report: None

7c. Park goings on reports (October) and Q&A: Staff opened item to the Committee for questions and discussion. No further information was needed.

7d. Park event reports (November) Staff opened item to the Committee for questions and discussion. No further information was needed.

7e. Park Events Financial Reports (October): Staff opened item to the Committee for questions. No further information was needed.

8. SET/CONFIRM NEXT MEETING

Tentative **December 4th, 2019** at 6:30 PM at the Main House.

Tentative topics: MCE update, Lighting Design

9. ADJOURN - Chair John Davey adjourned meeting at 6:33 p.m.