



The regular meeting for the Grimes Park & Recreation Board was called to order on Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 5:31pm at Grimes City Hall.

Roll Call: Cris Anderson (CA); Brandon Neilson (BN); Dennis Heiman (DH); Jannae Lane (JL); Council Liaison, Eric Johansen (EJ) Parks & Rec Director, Brett Barber (BB)
Absent: none

I. GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by DH, Second by BN, the agenda shall be approved 4 to 0
Roll call: Ayes: All; Nays: 0. Motion passes 4 to 0.

Approval of the Minutes

Moved by BN, Second by JL, the Minutes from August 23rd Parks and Rec Meeting shall be approved.
Roll call: Ayes: All, Nays: 0. Motion passes 4 to 0.

Public Forum

none

II. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

1.Kennybrook South Park Update- BB reported housing construction currently going on to the south of this park. BB had passed along the cost estimates for this park at the last meeting. BN asked if the drinking fountain could be moved more towards the park equipment away from the street. Board thought a 1/2 basketball court would work. JL asked if the shelter could be where the other side of the basketball court would be instead of squeezed tight off the trail. Also requested a path to the shelter if possible. EJ mentioned having volunteers and staff install the park equipment instead of paying for it and to look into the cost differences. Board reviewed the different amenity options by FOX engineering and approved \$229,000 towards this KB South Park Project from their 2017 budget (\$150K) and partial amount from their 2018 budget (\$79K)-
Phase 1- Mobilization/Seeding/Grading, Storm Sewer & Subdrain, ADA Playground Equipment , Playground Area (ADA surface approved), Trail Paving, Shelter with BBQ Grill, Park Signage, Benches, Trash Receptacles
Phase 2- (if budget allows)- 1/2 Basketball Court, Landscaping, Swings, Backstop
Other possible amenities are future permanent bathrooms, sand volleyball courts, future parking stalls on the street, porta potty shelter.

BB will pass this along to council for approval. Construction may not begin until later next year due to the heavy construction going on out there now.

2. Park Goals List- Updates-

-1 KB South Park- see above

-2 Waterworks and Lions Park Master Plan- EJ said that RDJ was approved to start working on a park comprehensive plan along with these two parks. Lions Park development to the east will effect what is done at that park. Ideas such as new park equipment, tennis courts, splash pad, enclosed shelters have all been brought up. RDG will organize meetings with all the groups involved at WW Park including the library, Governors Days, sports clubs, etc.

-3 Trail Connection at North Sports Complex from the Bridge to the trails along with North Complex Expanded Parking Lot

-4 Dog Park- location hasn't been determined

-5 Others- Tennis Court Complex, Lighting of South Field 6 for Baseball,

JL would like to see an operational needs list for each park at the next meeting. This would allow the Board to see what other parks could use and if the remaining 2018 funds could be used towards these smaller projects.

3. Parks and Rec Director Comments-

-Fall Program Registration starts Oct. 1 for winter basketball and other programs. The GCC will also have online court/cage reservations this year for resident teams beginning October 1 through activityreg.com. Non-resident teams can then reserve court time on October 16 at 8am. Flag Football will finish up on Oct. 22 at Lions Park. Youth Volleyball will finish on Oct. 22 at North Ridge Elem for the older kids. Adult Slow Pitch and Sand Volleyball Leagues are finished.

4. Tree Board Update-

BN provided the update of a new Tree Ordinance that will blanket multiple items needed to plant trees, recommend species, and identify trees that shouldn't be planted. Council will see this soon. BN said the Tree Board is working on a grant to purchase new trees. Neighbors along the Autumn Park trail have also inquired about new trees where the gaps were left during construction of the trail. Said they could also help maintain and adopt the trees. BN said the South Complex has some pits where a few trees from the Plant Some Shade Program could also go. Mark Dungan, Tree Board Member, is going to look into the right of ways and document the trees that are in those areas.

BB reported the new Plant Some Shade Program pick-up is Oct. 18 at the South Sports Complex. Volunteers are still needed to load up trees that have been purchased by the community residents. JL mentioned contacting the DCG Boys Soccer team and other HS groups to help out.

5. Council Update-

EJ reported the council have been looking at the Capital Improvement Plan for the coming years. The CIP has a big list of items. South James Street Project will be around \$3.8 million for next year to include 4 lanes from Meredith going north into Grimes. 37th St. and Hwy 141 Project will also be in the near future adding turn lanes. Trails along South James would switch to the west side during the project.

III. BOARD ACTION

-Move to approve \$229,000 towards the Kennybrook South Park Project. BB will pass along to the council for further approval.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Traffic going through South Complex- BN reported there are several cars cutting through the South Sports Complex during after work hours that could be causing a safety issue with kids playing at the complex or other cars turning into the complex. BB had passed this along to the Public Safety Committee for discussion. A stop sign has been put by the Complex Entrance sign by the tennis courts for traffic going north. Polk County has also been present monitoring speeding cars.

Next Meeting on Wednesday, October 25, 2017

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by JL, Second by BN to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm