

MINUTES

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Pioneers Park Nature Center – Nature Education Building, 3201 S. Coddington Avenue
Thursday, July 8, 2021 ~ 4:45 p.m.

Members Present:

Bradley Brandt	Justin Carlson	Jim Crook	Katie Graf
Alex Halvorsen (new student representative)	Conleigh Hemmer (new student representative)		
Sherrie Nelson	Tammy Poe	Isabel Salas	Jeff Schwebke
Jennifer Seacrest	Rick Vest	Sändra Washington	

Members Absent:

Jonathan Petersen	Lori Thomas	Kathi Wieskamp
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Staff Members Present:

Lynn Johnson, Director	Holly Lewis, Asst. Director/Recreation
JJ Yost, Planning & Facilities Manager	Denise Pearce, Special Projects Admin.
Maggie Stuckey, Parks Foundation Director	Angela Chesnut, Exec. Secretary

Members of the Lincoln Parks Foundation Board of Directors were also in attendance. The full group met at 4:00 p.m. at the Lincoln Fire and Rescue Training Facility outdoor area for a tour of train cars, then departed and reconvened at the Pioneers Park Nature Center Nature Education Building for a short PRAB business meeting.

CALL TO ORDER & RECOGNITION OF ‘OPEN MEETINGS ACT’:

As per law, Chairperson Tammy Poe announced that the Board follows the regulations of the Open Meetings Act, and called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. Roll was called by Angela Chesnut declaring a quorum with eleven Board members present, and two new student representatives whose appointments have not yet been affirmed by City Council and therefore not included in voting measures.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Policies Committee – Jeff Schwebke (Chair)**

JJ Yost informed Board members of a new neighborhood park in the Woodlands and Yankee Hill development which was recently acquired by the City to serve the square mile bounded by Yankee Hill Road, 84th Street, Rokeby Road, and 70th Street. The Rick Krueger family has interest in making a donation in excess of 50% of the cost for the park development. The Krueger family would like to provide this donation in recognition of their mother and the park be named Sue Krueger Park. The request is consistent with the Parks & Recreation Department naming guidelines. Recommendation of approval by the Board would be forwarded to the Lincoln City Council for final action. Following short questions and comments, a motion was made by Rick Vest and seconded by Sherrie Nelson to recommend approval for naming of the new neighborhood park in the Woodlands at Yankee Hill

as Sue Krueger Park. Upon roll call vote members voted as follows: **“Yes”**: **Bradley Brandt, Justin Carlson, Jim Crook, Katie Graf, Sherrie Nelson, Tammy Poe, Isabel Salas, Jeff Schwebke, Jennifer Seacrest, Rick Vest, Sändra Washington.** **“No”**: None. **Motion carried.**

Next Policies Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 16, at 4:00 p.m., via Zoom.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Jim Crook and seconded by Jeff Schwebke to adjourn the meeting at 4:55 p.m. Upon roll call vote members voted as follows: **“Yes”**: **Bradley Brandt, Justin Carlson, Jim Crook, Katie Graf, Sherrie Nelson, Tammy Poe, Isabel Salas, Jeff Schwebke, Jennifer Seacrest, Rick Vest, Sändra Washington.** **“No”**: None. **Motion carried.**

Following the PRAB business meeting, the joint discussion with the Lincoln Parks Foundation Board of Directors resumed. Potential upcoming projects were discussed.