

MINUTES

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
Woods Park Place, 3131 O Street, Lower-Level Training Center
Thursday, November 10, 2022 ~ 4:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Jessica Boren	Bradley Brandt	Justin Carlson	Jim Crook
Katie Graf	Alex Halvorsen	Sherrie Nelson	Tammy Poe
Jennifer Seacrest	JJ Toczek		

Members Absent:

Conleigh Hemmer	Jarrod Jackson	Jonathan Petersen	Jeff Schwebke
Rick Vest	Sandra Washington		

Staff Members Present:

Maggie Stuckey-Ross, Director	Holly Lewis, Asst. Director/Recreation
JJ Yost, Planning & Facilities Manager	Chris Myers, Park Operations Manager
Denise Pearce, Special Projects Admin.	Jocelyn Golden, Asst. City Attorney
Wade Foreman, Golf Bus. Coordinator	Randy Gordon, Parks Foundation Director
Angela Quinn, Exec. Secretary	

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 4:00 p.m. Roll was called by Angela Quinn declaring a quorum of Board members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Jennifer Seacrest and seconded by Justin Carlson to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2022, meeting as presented. Upon roll call vote members voted as follows: **"Yes": Jessica Boren, Bradley Brandt, Justin Carlson, Jim Crook, Katie Graf, Sherrie Nelson, Tammy Poe, Jennifer Seacrest, JJ Toczek. "Abstain": Alex Halvorsen. "No": None. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA:

No members of the public requested to come forward.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Facilities & Infrastructure Committee – Jennifer Seacrest (Chair)**
At the request of Jennifer Seacrest, JJ Yost updated Board members on final public comments received and minor text revisions to the proposed Outdoor Open-Play Racket Sports Court Facilities master plan. The full plan as revised was provided to attendees (copy attached to official minutes on record) and JJ provided a synopsis of the changes made to the previously reviewed draft.

A motion was made by Jennifer Seacrest and seconded by Sherrie Nelson to approve the final draft of the Outdoor Open-Play Racket Sports Court Facilities Master Plan as presented. Upon roll call vote members voted as follows: **"Yes": Jessica Boren, Bradley Brandt, Justin Carlson, Jim Crook, Katie Graf, Alex**

**Halvorsen, Sherrie Nelson, Tammy Poe, Jennifer Seacrest, JJ Toczek. “No”:
None. Motion carried.**

Committee Chair Jennifer Seacrest provided an update on discussions regarding the Pershing Auditorium mural. The Facilities & Infrastructure Committee met with Liz Shea-McCoy and the Pershing mural group and determined that the process should be followed with review by Public Art Lincoln and ultimate recommendation to the City.

Next Facilities & Infrastructure Committee meeting – Wednesday, November 16th at 4 p.m.

- **Policies Committee – Katie Graf (Chair)**
No report at this time.

Next Policies Committee meeting – Tuesday, November 15th at 4:00 p.m.

- **Golf Report – Sherrie Nelson (Chair)**
On behalf of Sherrie, Wade Foreman provided an update of recent and current golf activities noting that the cooling weather has obviously reduced play for the time being. September rounds were above target. The 2022-23 target for golf rounds has been increased to 180,000 from 165,000. Fall aerations, overseeding, and other ongoing maintenance are proceeding well.

Next Golf Committee meeting – Thursday, December 1 at 12:00 noon (*rescheduled from Nov. 24th due to Thanksgiving*)

- **Executive Committee – Tammy Poe (Chair)**
Board Chair Tammy Poe welcomed the new Lincoln Parks Foundation director, Randy Gordon, who provided an update to the Board. Mr. Gordon touted four weeks on the job which has been exciting from day one! A number of projects and fundraising efforts are underway which is detailed on the Lincoln Parks Foundation website – <https://www.lincolnparks.org/>. The Holmes Lake dock replacement is progressing with potential to move forward in the spring.

Nominating committee members Justin Carlson, Bradley Brandt, and Jim Crook, provided a recommended slate of officers for 2023: Chairperson – Jonathan Petersen; Vice-Chairperson – Jennifer Seacrest. Both Board members have agreed to accept the respective nomination. Justin Carlson requested that if anyone else is interested in an officer position to contact him to be added to the ballot. Board members will vote for 2023 officers at the December meeting.

Next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 1 at 4:00 p.m. (*rescheduled from Nov. 24th due to Thanksgiving*)

STAFF REPORTS

JJ Yost provided a brief update on construction of the new Air Park Recreation Center / Williams Branch Library project, sharing a recent drone aerial photograph with the group. Construction is going well and right on schedule for a May 2023 completion anticipated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Veteran's Day – Friday, November 11th – City/County/State Offices Closed
- Veteran's Day Program – Friday, November 11th, 11:00 a.m. – Auld Pavilion
- Put the Beds to Bed at Sunken Gardens – rescheduled to this Saturday, November 12th, 8:30 a.m.
- Veteran's Day Parade – Sunday, November 13th, 2:00 p.m. – begins @ Lincoln High School
- Thanksgiving – offices closed Thursday and Friday, November 24th & 25th
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony – Wednesday, December 7, 11:55 a.m. – Auld Pavilion

ADJOURN:

There being no further business of the Board, Chairman Poe declared the meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m. The next PRAB meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 10, at 4:00 p.m.