

MINUTES

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
Woods Park Place, 3131 O Street, Lower-Level Training Center
Thursday, December 8, 2022 ~ 4:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Bradley Brandt	Jim Crook	Katie Graf	Alex Halvorsen
Sherrie Nelson	Jonathan Petersen	Tammy Poe	Jennifer Seacrest (arrived 4:10 pm)
Rick Vest (arrived 4:03 pm)		Sandra Washington	

Members Absent:

Jessica Boren	Justin Carlson	Conleigh Hemmer	Jeff Schwebke
JJ Toczek	Vacant (J. Jackson)		

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. Ms. Quinn then informed the Board that she had received a message from Jerrod Jackson indicating his intent to vacate his position on the Board. Staff will work with the Mayor's office for a replacement.

Rick Vest arrived at 4:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Bradley Brandt and seconded by Katie Graf to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2022, meeting as presented. Upon roll call vote members voted as follows: "Yes": **Bradley Brandt, Jim Crook, Katie Graf, Alex Halvorsen, Sherrie Nelson, Tammy Poe, Sandra Washington.** "Abstain": **Jonathan Petersen, Rick Vest.** "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)**
JJ Yost presented the 2016 approved master plan (copy attached to official minutes on record) for an expansion project of the Lincoln Youth Football complex at Sampson Park. The Lincoln Youth Football organization has been working through cost estimating and determining what their fundraising capabilities will be. LYF is now requesting approval to move forward with Phase I of the expansion project with design development and preparation of construction documents for one of the proposed fields. The group has identified a lead donor as well as

smaller donors and is also requesting to proceed with a capital campaign through the Lincoln Parks Foundation.

Jennifer Seacrest arrived at 4:10 p.m.

Following questions and discussion, a motion was made by Rick Vest and seconded by Jim Crook to approve Lincoln Youth Football organization proceeding with the first phase of expansion of the Lincoln Youth Football complex as presented. Upon roll call vote members voted as follows: **“Yes”:** **Bradley Brandt, Jim Crook, Katie Graf, Alex Halvorsen, Sherrie Nelson, Jonathan Petersen, Tammy Poe, Rick Vest, Sändra Washington.** **“Abstain”:** **Jennifer Seacrest.** **“No”:** **None. Motion carried.**

A motion was then made by Jonathan Petersen and seconded by Sherrie Nelson to recommend to the Lincoln Parks Foundation proceeding with a capital campaign to fund the proposed first phase of expansion and to create an endowment fund as presented. Upon roll call vote members voted as follows: **“Yes”:** **Bradley Brandt, Jim Crook, Katie Graf, Alex Halvorsen, Sherrie Nelson, Jonathan Petersen, Tammy Poe, Jennifer Seacrest, Rick Vest, Sändra Washington.** **“No”:** **None. Motion carried.**

Lincoln Parks Foundation Board will vote on the capital campaign recommendation at their next meeting.

Next Facilities & Infrastructure Committee meeting – Wednesday, January 18th at 4 p.m.

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

Next Policies Committee meeting – Tuesday, January 17th at 4:00 p.m.

- **Golf Report – Sherrie Nelson (Chair)**
Sherrie Nelson and Wade Foreman provided an update during the final Golf Committee meeting of 2022. Rounds for October were 43.5% above target, with November then seeing much colder temperatures. Irrigation lines have now been blown out and turfgrass has been prepared for winter. Crews will begin focusing on equipment maintenance and tree trimming and removal at courses.

Next Golf Committee meeting – Thursday, January 26th at 12:00 noon

- **Executive Committee – Tammy Poe (Chair)**
Lincoln Parks Foundation Director Randy Gordon provided an update noting many smaller projects that are wrapping up. Also working with Midwest Racing Organization for a new location, a new Holmes Lake dock, Wilderness Park, Veteran’s Memorial Garden Bricks of Honor, and a year-end giving campaign.

Board Chairperson Tammy Poe recapped 2023 nominees for Chair and Vice-Chair presented and approved at the November meeting as Chair – Jonathan Petersen; Vice-Chair – Jennifer Seacrest. A motion was made by Jim Crook and seconded by Katie Graf to approve the slate of officers as presented. Upon roll call vote members voted as follows: **“Yes”:** **Bradley Brandt, Jim Crook, Katie**

**Graf, Alex Halvorsen, Sherrie Nelson, Tammy Poe, Rick Vest, Sändra Washington. “Abstain”: Jonathan Petersen, Jennifer Seacrest. “No”:
None. Motion carried.**

Next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 26th at 4:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Due to busy holiday schedules and no pertinent timely issues for discussion, subcommittee meetings for December will not be held. A notice will be sent later in the month regarding a January Board meeting, which is unlikely at this time.
- Rick Vest announced that due to a new Commissioner joining the County Board that there will be new assignments for all Commissioners. Mr. Vest will no longer be assigned to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, with this being his final meeting on the PRAB.
- Board and subcommittee meeting schedule was routed to Board members.
- Holiday office closures: Monday, December 26th, and Monday, January 2nd.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business of the Board, Chairman Poe declared the meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m. The next PRAB meeting is currently scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.