

City of Lebanon Park Board Meeting

Winfrey Property

25573 Highway 5

Meeting Minutes: July 10th, 2019

In Attendance:

Park Board Members: Max Meckem, Dusty Childress, Jacob Hedges, Rae Ann Shoemaker, and Jim Garrison.

Media: Steve Smith **Public:** John Thomas **Staff:** Director of Parks John Shelton and Assistant Director of Parks Elliot Wilburn

Rae Ann Shoemaker called the meeting to order.

Jacob Hedges made a motion to amend the agenda to put Public Comments at the start of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Garrison.

Max Meckem made a motion to approve the June 12th minutes. The motion was seconded by Jim Garrison. All approved.

Public Comments:

John Thomas presented a letter to the Park Board that was wrote to Johnny Morris the owner of White River Marine asking him not to get rid of the pond when White River takes over Nelson Park. The letter was signed by several kids. Mr. Thomas also spoke about the importance of that pond to the people and that neighborhood and how he had provided meals for his family by fishing in the pond. John Shelton stated that there is still the possibility of the pond staying open to the public, but it will ultimately be the decision of White River Marine. He also stated that the Board will look at other possible locations for a pond in the park system if Nelson is closed to the public.

Budget Update:

John updated the Board on the Budget and stated that full time labor was good due to not filling a position that had been vacated. He also said part-time labor was high due to taking over the concession stands and not having them in the budget at all this year. Another account that was over budget was utilities water and sewer and that was mainly because of an unknown water leak at Boswell Park and the continued loss of water at the pool. The pool has been caulked and patched but its 40 years old and continually leaks water.

Harke Park Update:

John reported that with all the rain it has slowed down the completion of Harke Park. With not being able to dedicate staff solely to the installation of the playground they are having to work around other projects to get it completed. He did however think that it would be up and ready to use by the end of July. The only thing that would need to be completed later would be the turf fall protection.

Nelson Park:

John stated that the city is working on a memorandum of understanding with the school that spells out everything about use of the shared land. The city and the school used the same attorney so it should be a pretty easy document to get finalized. He said once it is completed by the attorney, he will bring it to Park Board to look over.

B.A.C. Update:

Elliot Wilburn reported that it hasn't been a very good season at the Boswell Aquatic Center this year. Revenue so far this year is down about \$8,000 compared to the same date last year. The main reason for this is due to

the bad weather. Last year the pool only closed 2 days because of weather through this time, compared to 10 days so far this year.

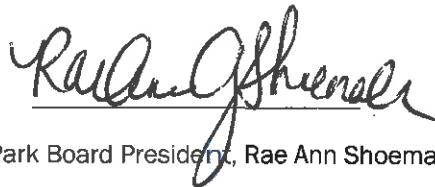
Baseball/Softball League

Elliot reported that most of the leagues have ended and only some rainout games remain. Overall the league had around 60 teams participate with 13 of those teams being from out of town. He thinks it was a successful league and that it will grow next year, especially with the additional fields being added to the new Nelson Park.

Comments from the Board:

There were no comments from the Board.

Max Meckem made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jacob Hedges. All approved.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rae Ann Shoemaker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Park Board President, Rae Ann Shoemaker