

MINUTES  
Parks and Recreation Advisory committee  
September 8, 2012  
8:30 a.m.

Attendance:

Darcy Capstick	Bill Dowdy	Michelle Keesal
Cindy Lau	Tom McCarthy	Laura Schellenberg
Eileen Sellers	Gary Stein	Guy Tilman
Council Member Barry Flachsbart		

Call to order at 8:30 a.m. by Michelle Keesal.

Kimberly Cameron, a potential new member introduced herself. Kimberly is a real estate agent and serves on several boards.

1. **Approval of Minutes** (with edits)

Bill Dowdy motioned to approve with Darcy Capstick seconding the motion.

2. **Tour D Parks**

Cindy Lau gave an update on the Tour D Parks sub-committee meeting held with Cindy Lau, Gary Stein, Guy Tilman, and Tricia Whelan in attendance.

They defined the purpose of the next Tour D Parks:

- a. To introduce the community to Chesterfield Parks
  - i. Event to be held at 3 parks (proposed): Eberwein Park, Central Park, and the W.F. Dierberg Meditation Park
- b. To foster community building

The idea is to get away from the scavenger hunt theme and instead have community members take part in helping build/repair our parks. This would require staffing the event. More research needs to be done to determine what makes the most sense.

Proposed activities:

- Build/repair - Plant garden/trees, paint fence
- Fun – Ice cream social/old-fashioned lemonade, bubbles, balloons, competition
- Sponsor ideas – Farmer's Market, North Face

Action Item: Cindy will email all PRCAC members with the next meeting invite (Sept/Oct)

3. **Parks and Recreation Mission Statement Review**

- A proposal was made to send an informational packet to new members and send an updated member listing and packet of park information to all members.
- We will meet from 8-9 a.m. during the November PRCAC meeting to review/brainstorm on our new mission statement. Following this meeting, our regular meeting will be conducted.

4. **Amphitheater Outlook**

- The Kenny Loggins concert was a success and conducted professionally by an outside promoter.
- There will be 2 more concerts this year with the final concert on 9/22 with food trucks available before the event and fireworks following the event.
- Willie Nelson is scheduled for next year (5/18).

5. **Tour of Parks**

- We discussed the possibility of having a bus take PRCAC members for a tour of the parks.
- Councilman Barry Flachsbart suggested taking the bus on our mini retreat day and serving lunch on the bus.

6. **Mini Retreat**

- Tom McCarthy will begin planning our mini-retreat which will be held in March on a Saturday.
- Tom will try to find a board style setting for 4 hours, including lunch (perhaps on the bus tour).

7. **Staff Report**

- *Construction*

The inside of the barn at Eberwein Park has been completed. Next, the siding, roof, and windows will be replaced. The west-end of the barn will have an open walk-through. All construction on the barn to be completed by the end of the year.

- *Program/Facilities*

- a. Pool

- i. Pool leakage is being repaired.
- ii. Next year, ID Cards/pool passes will be available at both the pool desk and City Hall.
- iii. The dog splash went well.

- b. Dog Park

- i. Yappy Hour (10/12) will be free for members and \$5 for non-members. Beer/wine will also be available. All dogs must have recent vaccinations record.
- ii. The brick entrance way to the dog park will be expanded to reduce erosion.
- iii. Kimberly Cameron made a suggestion to add a hotline for bad weather and close the park on those days to reduce erosion.
- iv. Buy a brick – residents can buy a brick with engraving (Dog Park and Amphitheater)

- c. Activities:

- i. Moonlight Run will be held 9/29 at 10 p.m.
- ii. Boo Fest will be held 10/20 at 4:30 p.m. at the amphitheater. Tickets will be sold.

8. **Other Business**

- a. Environmental Committee

- i. The 16<sup>th</sup> annual America/Missouri/Chesterfield Recycles Day will be held 11/3 from 9 a.m. -12 noon. Volunteers are needed.
- ii. The Prescripton Drug Take Back will be held 9/29 from 10 a.m. – 2 pm. At City Hall.
- iii. The 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Chesterfield Earth Day Festival on 4/27/2013. Science fair projects pertaining to sustainability will be accepted and judged, with prizes awarded.
- iv. Silver awards ceremony for the Girl Scouts
- v. Sustainable gardening/landscaping – awards to be given to 4 parties

- b. A “Beginner’s Bird Walk” event will be held 9/29 at 8:30 a.m.

- c. Cindy Lau will chair the next meeting in Michelle Keesal’s absence.

9. **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:34 a.m. by Cindy Lau with Kimberly Cameron seconding the motion.