



Garden City Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Minutes
February 28, 2022

I. Call Meeting to Order

Vice-Chair, Erich Schaefer called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. on February 28, 2022 with members Keith Rathbun and Isidro Marino present. Prithvy Murthy, Marilyn Porter and Brian Wilson were not present. Staff included Superintendent, Jared Rutti and Finance Coordinator, Jessica Wikoff.

II. Approval of Agenda

Keith Rathbun moved to approve the agenda as presented. Brian Wilson seconded the motion; motion carried.

III. Public Comment

No members of the public were present for comment.

IV. Board Member/Group Photo

The photo session was tabled for the next meeting when all members are present.

V. Consent Agenda

The following shall stand approved/accepted as presented unless action is taken to remove an item from the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the Advisory Board Meeting held on January 24, 2022
- Staff/Participation Reports for January 24, 2022

There being no comments or questions, the consent agenda stands as approved.

VI. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent, Jared Rutti shared a status update on the turf installment at Clint Lightner field and presented photos of the new logos placed on the field. The GCPR logo is located along the 3rd base line, the City log is located in front of home plate and the GCHS Buffalo is located along the 1st base line. Full turf installation is scheduled to be completed tomorrow. Once Clint Lightner is complete, staff will begin the updates/repairs at Cleaver field and Tangeman Complex utilizing some of the old turf and netting from Clint Lightner.

He also informed the members that staff has heard positive comments concerning the new equipment recently installed at Core Fitness. One new weight machine is still on order and is expected to be here before the end of the month. The staff has mentioned the most popular machines appear to be the stair-stepper and the rowing machine.

He then presented the participation totals for Athletic programs. Youth basketball showed a 40% increase in participation over 2021 for a total of 771 registrations. He also informed the board of the new class added at O'Brate Gymnastics Center. This class is called Rec Team and is primarily made up of gymnasts who are just one step down from the competition team. This group has a full night devoted to training them at this level and provides better coach to student ratios. The team group continues to compete in regional tournaments. Next month, they will host a home meet at GCHS.

This year, GCPR will host an Adult Easter Egg Hunt the week before the Children's Annual Hunt. This is the first time running this program and staff is hoping to make it an annual event. Staff is currently in the planning stages and seeking donations for the events.

VII. Financial Reports for January 2022

Jessica Wikoff presented the financial report for January 2022. She informed the members that insurance rates were increased over the prior year and the full budget impact was approximately \$25,000 over 2021.

VIII. Director's Report

Jared Rutti updated the board on the status of the GCPR Master Plan. An online survey was released on social media and was available for the full month of February. In an effort to entice engagement, a prize basket was created and the person with the most comments, shares or likes will be deemed the winner. The overall project is scheduled to be completed at the end of May.

Jessica Wikoff and Erich Schaefer shared the latest developments concerning the Southeast Community Park project. On February 11th, all responses concerning the options for architectural, commons and play structures were sent to SWT Design to sift through and narrow down. The next step is to build the design concept boards and share them with the community. Staff is trying to organize this opportunity to be in conjunction with Victor Ornelas Family Fun Night.

Scout Park Skatepark project is still underway. Staff continues to research funding opportunities. The next meeting will be scheduled after Spohn Ranch, Inc. gathers the survey results.

The Ben Grimsley Lighting project is complete. The park is now well lit and open for use.

The following locations/projects have been identified as items to complete within the next 18 months:

- Restrooms at Rotary Park along the Talley Trail
- Cleaver restroom replacement/Cleaver Renovations
- Trail connections and entryway landscaping for Chappel Heights Housing Development

IX. New Business

The following slate of officers was presented for nomination to serve for the 2022-2023 year:

- Erich Schaefer - Chair
- Brian Wilson - Vice-Chair
- Isidro Marino – Treasurer

Keith Rathbun moved to accept the nominations as indicated. Isidro Marino seconded the motion; motion carried.

X. Unfinished Business

Staff will pass along Erich Schaefer's name to Sophia Hernandez to visit about the City's Advisory Board Recruitment marketing campaign.

XI. Garden City Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Questions and Comments

Keith Rathbun was thanked for his service and commitment to the Garden City Parks and Recreation Board of Directors and to the Garden City Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Keith Rathbun offered to return to the advisory board if ever needed.

XII. Adjournment

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 28th at 12:00 p.m. at the Garden City Parks and Recreation building in Classroom 1. There being no further business, Isidro Marino moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

Jessica Wikoff
Finance Coordinator

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "I. Marino", written over a horizontal line.