

Susan McAuliffe made the motion to accept the Financial Report and FY 2018-2019 Budget Report dated May 31, 2019 and prepared June 6, 2019 as presented. Don Ledford seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Don Ledford, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Zac Wilkins Nays – 0

STAFF REPORT

Nate Williams talked about the summer program activities that were offered since there was no summer school. Attendance was varied with the activities and the information gained will help to plan activities for next summer. One suggestion was to offer the activities to local day cares at a discount, Rocking Tiger Club, etc.

July is Parks and Rec month. The Game On Passports are available at the office.

Lots of positive comments were heard at the Wine Fest about East Valley Park.

Reggie St. John's neighbor was impressed with the accessibility of the ramps and seating at Piburn Field since he was dealing with a broken foot.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of officers for 2019-2020 was held. Officers elected for 2019-2020 are: President – Reggie St. John; Vice President – Jake Simmons; Secretary – Patrick Halfhill; Treasurer – Sherri Branson-Hurt.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board members were assigned to committees. Recreation Committee – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Scott Buckman, Zac Wilkins; Parks Committee – Don Ledford, Susan McAuliffe, Christy Marker; Revenue – Patrick Halfhill, Jake Simmons, Zac Wilkins. Reggie St. John will serve as an ex-officio member of the three committees.

OLD BUSINESS

Century Bark Grand Opening was held June 8. There were lots of support by City Council members, Parks and Recreation Foundation members and Parks and Recreation Board members present for the Leash Cutting and Grand Opening. There were also an abundance of dogs with their people in attendance.

People have reported that Century Bark is being used at all hours of the day.

A sponsorship pack is being assembled for Century Bark. Items suggested are memory pavers and signs, business signs, and include what the funds will be used for, etc.

NEW BUSINESS

July is National Park and Rec Month! GAME ON is the theme.

The Passport is available at the Parks and Rec office. Youth participants will need to get 8 stamps to be entered into the drawing at the end of the month.

July 10 at 11:00 am is the Play Day at Piburn Field. The City of Excelsior Springs is the Premier Sponsor. Partnering with the City, the Gregg Williams Foundation, and the Community Center, this day is targeting students that would not necessarily have access to these activities. The activities scheduled are kickball, cornhole, Jenga, etc. Gregg Williams is scheduled to attend. Lunch will be served. Volunteers are welcome!

July 11 is the Kids Dance Party at Century Park. Zac Wilkins has volunteered to assist with the music. Alexandria Barns will be leading this activity.

Volunteers are always welcome at the activities.

A short National Recreation and Park Association survey showed that some Parks and Recreation Departments offered activities that are strictly for adults, youth or families. It is an idea to be explored, i.e. trivia night for adults. Youth are our primary focus.

Nate Williams, Chad Clevenger and Alexandria Barns attended a Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Workshop in Jefferson City.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Youth baseball and softball will be done in a couple of weeks.

The Parks and Recreation Board picture will be taken at the July 23 Board meeting. Please wear your GAME ON shirt. Don Ledford and Sharon Powell will not be able to be at that meeting.

At 1929 hours, Susan McAuliffe made the motion to go into closed session Pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) Personnel. Sherri Branson-Hurt seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Don Ledford, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Zac Wilkins
Nays – 0

At 2005 Hours, Susan McAuliffe made the motion to come out of closed session. Zac Wilkins seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Don Ledford, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Zac Wilkins
Nays – 0

Susan McAuliffe made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Christy Marker seconded the motion, motion passed, 7 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 7 – Sherri Branson-Hurt, Don Ledford, Christy Marker, Susan McAuliffe, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Zac Wilkins
Nays – 0

The June 25, 2019 Parks and Recreation Board meeting was adjourned at 2006 hours.