

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 24, 2022

**THIS IS A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON
MARCH 22, 2022**

The Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting held February 24, 2022 at the Excelsior Springs Community Center was called to order by President Jake Simmons at 6:02 p.m.

Roll call was taken with five board members present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: President - Jake Simmons; Secretary – Jessica Meyer; Christy Marker; Reggie St. John; Kyle Uptegrove

MEMBER ABSENT: Scott Buckman, Patrick Halfhill, Susan McAuliffe, Zac Wilkins

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON: absent

STAFF PRESENT: Nate Williams – Director; Chad Clevenger, Parks Superintendent; Janet Morehead – Administrative Assistant

VISITORS: Brian Van Till, Allison Van Till

Christy Marker made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Reggie St. John seconded the motion, motion passed, 5 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 5 – Christy Marker, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Kyle Uptegrove
Nays – 0

Christy Marker made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2022 Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting as presented. Kyle Uptegrove seconded the motion, motion passed, 5 – 0. A show of hands vote was taken: Ayes – 5 – Christy Marker, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Kyle Uptegrove
Nays – 0

Nate Williams' FY 21-22 Working Financial Budget through February 22, 2022 was discussed. Questions were asked and answered.

A basic Financial Report through February 21, 2022 from Vonda Floyd, City Finance Director, was discussed. Questions were asked and answered.

The Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Department received Land and Water Conservation Fund monies \$308,287.71 and \$87,409.32 from the Excelsior Springs Park and Recreation Department Foundation for the Rainbow Splash Park.

Reggie St. John made the motion to approve Nate Williams' FY 21-22 Working Financial Budget through February 22, 2022 and the City's Financial Report through February 21, 2022 as presented. Kyle Uptegrove seconded the motion, motion passed, 5 – 0. A roll call vote was taken: Ayes – 5 – Christy Marker, Jessica Meyer, Jake Simmons, Reggie St. John, Kyle Uptegrove Nays – 0

STAFF REPORTS

The Staff Reports were discussed.

Youth basketball should finish games this weekend. Youth soccer sign ups have been extended.

ESports held a Mario Kart Tournament last Friday. Participants are asking for more events.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - none

OLD BUSINESS

Since City Councilman Stephen Spear was unable to attend the ESPR Board meeting, President Jake Simmons discussed the airport with him before the meeting. Jake Simmons reported to the Board and discussion was held. More information is needed and it was suggested that the Board tour the Airport grounds.

NEW BUSINESS

Nate Williams discussed the City of Excelsior Springs Compensation Study. The City Council has approved the Compensation Study. All employees of the City of Excelsior Springs have had salary adjustments either by a cost of living or minimum market wage. Some jobs have been reclassified or have new job titles. The goal was to have salaries become closer to market salaries. Job titles have changed, etc.

McGrath Human Resources Group/McGrath Consulting Group along with the City of Excelsior Springs will continue to evaluate. This study was paid for by the City's insurance.

Earth Day 2022 is scheduled for April 23, 2022 from 9:00 am until noon. Coordination/start area is the Carolyn Schutte Park at the corner of Broadway and Marietta. Nate Williams will get the needed permits.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Chad Clevenger and Reggie St. John met with representatives of Sourcewell to review plans for a new maintenance facility. The facility is scheduled to be 60' x 64' with three personnel entrance doors, five overhead doors and six windows, and stub up for plumbing and a 200 amp electrical box.

Sourcewell will provide a rough order magnitude (ROM) estimate for the maintenance facility. Discussions will be held after that is received.

The City of Excelsior Springs was awarded \$500,000 from Clay County CARES Act for the outdoor pool phase II. Powell Lake and Century Park will be used as a retention area. Powell Lake will be dredged 4', the dam raised and reinforced. In time, possibly using the dredged materials to build up the amphitheater area at Century Park.

Jake Simmons suggested that all pray for the world.

President Jake Simmons adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

The February 24, 2022 Excelsior Springs Parks and Recreation Board meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.