Park & Recreation Board August 11, 2014 Minutes

Members Present: Charlie Bruckner, William Ramsey, Mike MacDonald, Patrick Carroll, Shirley Davis

Members Absent: Karen Harant, Russ Motschenbacher

With no corrections or additions to the minutes board motioned to approve as written. Motion second and carried.

Directors Report

- Staff toured the Westside Gardens with Mike Dalton; it was very interesting. Suggested that others take the tour also.
- Last Commission Meeting there were three contracts for approval:
 - o Re-roofing the bandshell at Gibson Park
 - o Remove asbestos in entryway and hallway at the Natatorium. CDBG funds.
 - o Tile the entryway and hallway at the Natatorium. CDBG funds.
- Tree Trimming contact has been approved.
- Last Commission meeting they approved the Boulevard District Assessments with no
 increase. Discussion has been eliminating the leaf pickup program and spending the
 time trimming hazardous trees. It was determined that eliminating leaf pickup will
 impact streets and sanitation. Not sure where we will go from here as the funding
 was cut.
 - o There is no benefit to the tree with leaf pickup
 - No other city has the forestry division doing leaf pickup, they all have public works take care of it.
 - Will discuss at a future Commission Work Session.
- Working on a Missouri Madison River Fund grant for a restroom in Westbank Park.
 Met with the committee last week, our requests looks favorable. Cost is \$115,000 plus the cost to put in a sidewalk to the restroom.
- Received a CTEP grant to pave part of the parking lot at Westbank Park, will be applying for a TIF Grant to complete the parking lot as it was shown in the master plan. This will include some irrigation.

Staff/Board Miscellaneous Reports

Staff

Todd Seymanski, City Forester.

• Tree trimming contact approved to trim 70 trees for a total of \$51,000., that is \$726 per tree.

Lonnie Dalke, Park Supervisor.

• mowing parks and fixing irrigation

Thanks to Charlie and Mike for assisting with the Pet & Doll Parade. There were 181 participants this year.

Board

Charlie asked about the flag pole at the bandshell in Gibson Park. They are unable to raise the flag during Wednesday concerts. Lonnie to look into the problem.

Shirley noted that on Lower River Road kids have put diving board in and are jumping into the river.