

**City of Eureka
Park Board Minutes
November 13, 2018**

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Rechten at 7:30 p.m.

Park Board Members Present: Bantz, Frank, Hannan, Pearce, Rechten, Sax and Thomas.

Not in attendance: Barklage, Nickel, Sebourn, Siebels and Thurman.

Also in attendance were Superintendent Christenson, Alderman Sir and City Administrator Sabo.

Act on Minutes of October 9, 2018:

Thomas made a motion that the minutes be accepted. Bantz seconded the motion and they were unanimously approved.

Guests: No guests were present.

Old Business:

(A) Programs Report

The report was included in the meeting packet (see attachment).

(B) Events Report

The report was included in the meeting packet (see attachment).

(C) Recreation Center Update

Christenson stated that the total memberships was 2,071 which was five (5) less than reported at the last meeting.

Bantz stated that he believes more room and equipment will be needed to support future growth.

New Business:

(A) Ridge Pointes at the Legends Park Dedication Proposal

Sean Flower of Flower and Fendler Homes was in attendance to present that which he proposed to satisfy the park dedication requirement in connection with a two-family attached dwelling development he is proposing within The Legends. Flower stated the subdivision would be located near the clubhouse and the 27th hole of the golf course. He added that the green would be moved slightly and the hole would go from a Par 5 to a Par 4. Flower stated that the Legends Country Club would be rebuilding the cart shed that currently sits on the property. He stated that to satisfy the park dedication requirement, he was proposing a 10,000 square foot park that would be available for the Country Club to use during special events as well as a "cash in lieu of park" payment of \$45,000.00 to the Legends South Homeowners Association to develop park amenities in the Legends South area.

A representative from the Legends South Homeowners Association stated the funds would be used to purchase individual outdoor exercise equipment that would be available for use for the entire Legends Subdivision, not just those within Legends South.

Several questions were posed about the location of the park as it appeared close to the main roadway.

Flower stated that the park was below the grade of the road by about twenty (20) feet and noted that the cemetery located in that area would not be affected.

Thomas stated that she felt the funds should be appropriated to the City, not the subdivision.

Sir stated that the developer of Hillington Estates within Hilltop gave funds to the Hilltop Homeowners Association for development of the existing park amenities to satisfy the park dedication requirement.

Sabo added that while this is not a customary approach, such may be considered and there is precedent as described by Sir. He added that private amenities can be considered to satisfy the park dedication requirement.

After a brief discussion, the consensus was that the proposed “cash in lieu of park” funds can be allocated to Legends South as long as the City had oversight to ensure that the funds are appropriately spent.

Bantz made a motion to recommend approval of Mr. Flower’s park dedication proposal for a 10,000 square foot private park, and that \$45,000.00 be put into an escrow account to be used for recreational amenities in Legends South, with City staff oversight to ensure the funds are spent on eligible expenditures. Hannan seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

(B) Volunteer Opportunities

The volunteer opportunities list was distributed.

Report on Parks:

Berry:	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Bowlby:	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Coffey:	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Drewel:	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Flat Creek Trail	It was reported that the trail was in acceptable condition.
Forby Road Nature Trail	It was reported that the trail was in acceptable condition.
Frisco	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition. Hannah suggested adding arrows to indicate traffic flow.
Hilltop	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Kircher	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Legion	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Lions	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Soetebier	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.

Upcoming Meetings:

December 11, 2018

January 8, 2019

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, on a motion by Pearce seconded by Sax and unanimously approved, the meeting as adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

(Original with signature on file)

Kristin Christenson
Recreation Superintendent