

CITY OF O'FALLON
Park & Environment Committee
February 14, 2005
5:30 p.m.
Mayor's Conference Room

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Parks & Environment Committee of the City of O'Fallon, held in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, 255 S. Lincoln, O'Fallon, Illinois on February 14, 2005.

Attendance: MEMBERS X Albrecht, J (7) X Henry, B (2)
 Bennett, M (5) X True, E (2) X Mouser, J (3)

Council: Medford; Drolet; West; Reckamp

Park Board:

Cemetery Board:

Guests: Tiffany Garner, Journal; Nic Gates, SIU-C Intern; Georgia Hillyer, Progress; Jason Portz, OTHS Baseball Coach

Staff: Dean Rich, Finance; Dennis Sullivan, Engineering; Walter Denton, Administration; MJ Hutchison, Parks & Recreation

Meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

Motion to approve the minutes from January 10, 2005 meeting: Henry

Second: True

Corrections: None

Approved: All

I. Old Business

Item 1: CIP-Family Sport Complex & Park Master plan, Skate Park (HOLD)
CIP Review on March 14, 2005 meeting.

Item 3: Bus Bid

Motion: Recommend the award of the Pre-driven bus bid to Council for the purchase of a Pre-driven bus from Southern Bus Mobility, Inc. not to exceed \$15,000: True

Second: Henry

Discussion: Parks has two licensed bus drivers.

Approval: All

II. New Business

Item 2: Blazier Field Diamond #1 Irrigation-OTHS

Motion: Recommend to Council to amend Intergovernmental Agreement with OTHS District #203. District and Baseball Boosters will purchase and install an irrigation system at Blazier Field Diamond #1: True

Second: Albrecht

Discussion: Five-year warranty; Steel heads that are approved for active and safe turf management. Mr. Reckamp stated, "Water should be metered for assessment of total usage and tracking leaks."

Approval: All

Item 4: Budget FY06 Review/Highlights

1. 01-59- Cemetery
 - a) Removal of the brick building
 - b) 1-Ton Dump truck 2nd Payment of a three year purchase
 - c) Tree work will continue in FY06 with the removal of gumball trees and planting of low maintenance shade trees.
2. 02-01 Parks & Recreation
 - a) Revenues are generated from Extra Service Fees, Pavilion Rental, Utility Tax, Property Tax, Special Interest and Recreation programs.
 - b) Expense highlights include a reduction in OT budget and the addition of a full-time/part-time position that will be shared with Engineering Department. Other projects include: stripe and seal Community Park Pool Parking lot; convert storage area into an Administrative Assistant Office and build additional storage in KCCC; Purchase E-Connect, Arcview and CityWorks Software; Purchase and install a Hesse/Hinchcliffe Playground; Resurface Community Park tennis courts; Equipment purchases include snowplow, salt spreader, 0-Turn mower, water fountains, picnic tables and trash cans.
3. 02-03 Memorial Pool
 - a) Revenue-(flat) Due to the minimum wage increase, Parks will look at Pool Party Rental. The currently rate is \$75.00 for a two-hour rental. All other admission and pass fees will remain the same rate.
 - b) Expense- (flat) The budget reflects little change from FY05. The only expected maintenance expense will be the park staff painting the swimming pool.

Item 5: Field Reports/Updates:

- A. Governor's Wildflower Program: Reimbursement has been requested from the State of Illinois for \$35,000. The State has agreed to pay the City \$5,000 per year for two years to maintain the gateways.
- B. **Café in Park Report:** Reviewed
- C. **Field Reports:** Reviewed
 - a) Parks & Cemetery
 - b) Recreation
 - c) Art Commission

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Henry

SECOND: True

APPROVED: All

PREPARED BY: Amy Seipp