

**MINUTES
CITY OF LONSDALE
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
AUGUST 11, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeanette Utecht, Micki Ziskovsky, Kevin Kodada, and Julie Ryan

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Laura Carpentier

STAFF PRESENT:

City Planner Benjamin Baker

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kodada called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers at 415 Central Street West.

2. AGENDA

Kodada asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the Agenda.

A motion was made by Utecht and seconded by Ryan to approve the agenda. Vote for: Utecht, Ziskovsky, Kodada, and Ryan; Against: None. Vote 4-0. Motion carried.

3. MINUTES

Kodada asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the Minutes.

A motion was made by Ryan and seconded by Ziskovsky to approve the Minutes from the June 15 Regular Meeting. Vote for: Utecht, Ziskovsky, Kodada, and Ryan; Against: None. Vote 4-0. Motion carried.

The Board members also reviewed the July 16, 2020 Special Joint Park Board-City Council Minutes.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

a. Venture Crew - Eagle Project Update/Presentation:

Baker stated that the City was recently contacted by two Venture Crew members looking to complete their Eagle Projects. Councilmember Scott Pelava explained the details and process that Venture Crew participants typically go through while pursuing an Eagle Project, including fund raising. Kodada invited Venture Crew Member Brianna Harper forward to the podium.

- *Brianna Harper (Archery Range Tables)*

Brianna Harper provided the Park Board with example pictures of an archery work table. Harper said that she loves archery, and she stated that the waist high archery tables are very useful for bow cases and other gear. Harper said that such work tables are typically in high demand at archery ranges. She showed the Park Board an aerial photo map where she would like to place three of the tables at the Lonsdale Archery Range. Kodada said that it would be better to construct one table out of high quality durable materials than multiple tables that will not last as long.

The Park Board members were receptive to the idea and the preliminary design. Utecht said it seems like the tables are needed. The Board members thanked Harper for her presentation, and they said her idea was great.

Kodada invited Venture Crew Member Kelsey Pelava forward to the podium.

- *Kelsey Pelava (Little Free Library)*

Kelsey Pelava provided the Park Board with a 6-slide presentation on her plan to construct a Little Free Library, including information on: planning, construction resources, fundraising, keeping the library stocked with books, materials, timeline, placement, and a design sketch. Pelava said that she would like to locate a little library at Jaycee Park or the on the west side of town for convenience and because the public library isn't always open. She talked about fundraising ideas and ways to sturdy the structure. Pelava said that she would like to place a sign on the little library that states: "take a book – replace a book". The Board agreed that the idea was great, and provided a few suggestions on location. Ziskovsky said that she would hate to see the new little library get vandalized at Jaycee Park, but noted that with the traffic at the park with games and the food truck, it may be a nice location.

b. Project Updates:

While the Board looked at related pictures, Baker provided the Board with updates on the following projects: 1) Co Rd 33 Trail & Fence, over Heath Creek, 2) Veterans Memorial Park Expansion, 3) Lions Park walkway, 4) Main Street Hanging Flower Baskets, and 5) Trcka Park Project. He noted that Xcel Energy was installing the transformer earlier today, and that D & S Cement was planning to pour the warming house floor tomorrow.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

- *TCU Youth Soccer Update:* Baker said that youth recreation soccer will be running from August 17th – October 13th on Monday and Thursdays at the new soccer fields at Trcka Park. The Board reviewed pictures of the Public Works guys getting the soccer fields lined and ready earlier in the day. Utecht said that soccer is moving forward and uniforms have been ordered.

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Utecht and seconded by Ziskovsky to adjourn the meeting. Vote for: Utecht, Ziskovsky, Kodada, and Ryan; Against: None. Vote 4-0. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Benjamin Baker, City Planner