

**MINUTES
PARK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 22ND, 2020
5:30 P.M.**

THE PARK BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 12 NORTH ROWE STREET, PRYOR, OKLAHOMA AT THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DATE AND TIME.

BOARD MEMBERS: ** BILL KANNEGIESSER, MELINDA MARKS, PAT RICHARD, WAYNE JONES, LORI SIEVER, CHRIS GRAVES, KEITH SHELBY.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

Bill Kannegiesser called the Park Board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present: Bill Kannegiesser, Melinda Marks, Pat Richard, Wayne Jones, Lori Siever, Chris Graves, Keith Shelby. Members absent: none.

Others present: Mayor Larry Lees, Golf Director Dennis Bowman, Donna Bowman, Terry Aylward, ABLE Commission representative Alan Davis, Susan Byrd, Pat Lane, Leslee Elzo, Jack and Karen Dryden.

Kannegiesser moved to Item 3.

3. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 28TH, 2020 REGULAR MEETING.

Motion was made by Jones, second by Richard to approve the minutes of the May 28th, 2020 regular meeting. All voted yes.

4. PRESENTATION BY ABLE COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE ALAN DAVIS.

No action. Alan Davis with the ABLE Commission spoke regarding alcohol at the Pryor Creek Golf Course. He stated that it is a misdemeanor crime for anyone to bring in outside alcohol to the golf course, and if ABLE catches them, the golf course gets penalized, not the individual. After too many occurrences, the golf course will lose its liquor license permanently.

He stated that there is no rule against the Yeti cups. That is a local course rule.

Kannegiesser moved back to Item 2.

2. PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE.

Pat Lane spoke, stating that all she wants is to be able to bring water onto the golf course. Another golfer spoke and stated that it is a public course and the public wants Yeti's.

5. PARK REPORT – SUPERINTENDENT FRANK POWELL:

a. Parks

No report.

b. Cemetery

No report.

6. GOLF COURSE REPORT – DIRECTOR DENNIS BOWMAN

Bowman reported that it is a weekly fight against people bringing alcohol into the golf course. He stated that he will not take any chances on someone leaving his course intoxicated and killing someone. He cannot search every person's bag and cup every single day. Water is available for purchase at the course, and ice and coolers are provided. There are signs everywhere, and people do not heed them. He also stated that 97% of the golfers understand the rules regarding no outside drinks.

He reported that he has been getting many compliments on how nice the golf course looks. He follows the rule of People, Procedures, Product – he feels they are doing well at all of these things.

Bowman handed out the Capital improvements list to the Board and stated that a number of the listed items have already been knocked out. Their new irrigation system is doing great. He still needs a new maintenance building and would really like to have it before next winter. The roof of the golf course house is also in bad shape. The golf carts are now seven years old and will need to be addressed soon. He and Mayor have already begun looking at the budgeting components of this project.

Graves stated that he would like to see the golf course present a five-year plan, showing revenues vs. operating and capital expenses.

Bowman handed out budget numbers for the current fiscal year, which gave the projected final numbers for June.

Richard asked Mayor Lees if anything was in the works to get the golf course some of the tax monies. Mayor stated that nothing more has been done toward this and he has no plans to pursue it at this time. He does, however, intend to continue to help fund the golf course, as needed.

Bowman reported that a group from Muskogee came and played recently. With closures of other courses, our market is growing. There are some tournaments happening soon. The Veteran's Freedom Tour Tournament will be this Saturday, June 27th. The annual night tournament is coming soon and will fill up fast.

The new #8 green is doing very well. Shelby stated that a golfer from Claremore was very impressed with it.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REMOVING RESTRICTION OF ONE PERSON PER CART AND RESUMING TWO PERSONS PER CART AT THE PRYOR CREEK GOLF COURSE.

Motion was made by Shelby, second by Jones to approve removing restriction of one person per cart and resuming two persons per cart at the Pryor Creek Golf Course effective immediately. It was stated that most courses have gone back to this.

Graves wanted to make it clear that riding two to a cart is not mandatory, but simply allowed. If someone still prefers a cart to themselves, they will pay the full cart fee.

All voted yes.

8. ACTION ITEMS:

a. FEMA Claims

We are just waiting on FEMA for payment. It is a process.

b. Others

None at this time.

9. UNFORESEEABLE BUSINESS. (Any matter not reasonably foreseen prior to posting the agenda.)

Siever shared a picture she took at Whitaker Park of a mom and child on the combination swing. Marks stated that her family enjoyed the Splash Pad recently.

10. ADJOURN.

Motion was made by Jones, second by Shelby to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. All voted yes.