



The regular meeting for the Grimes Park & Recreation Board was called to order on Wednesday April 25, 2012 at 5:34 pm at the Grimes City Hall.

Roll Call: Bill Breed; Morgan Molden; Bill Rude; Council Liaison Craig Patterson;  
Absent: Charmin Sterbenz; Doug Bickford

**I. GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS:**

**Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Molden, Second by Breed, the Agenda shall be approved.

Roll call. Ayes: All; Nays: 0. Motion passes 3 to 0.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Moved by Molden, Second by Breed, the Minutes from the March 28, 2012 Park and Rec meeting shall be approved.

Roll call: Ayes: All, Nays: 0. Motion passes 3 to 0.

**II. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**1. Sports Complex Discussion**

Barber discussed a meeting he participated in the previous week with Morgan Molden, Bill Rude, 5 or 6 Little League board members, soccer and softball officials and volunteers to provide information on the program funding changes in the next year as well as exchange ideas on funding opportunities for the various sports programs in the future. Previously, there had been Tax Increment Funds available to support the programs, but that funding would not be available in the future. Barber also said they reviewed field policies and efforts to establish field use policy signage at the fields to improve communications with visiting teams. Barber and Molden indicated that more discussion is expected to focus on field maintenance as well as revenue ideas such as sponsorships for the future. Molden also stated that after this meeting, she thought there was an increased understanding and awareness of the financial situation for the Parks and Rec programs. Discussion continued as to the possibility of asking high school students to focus their volunteer community service opportunities on general clean up of the city parks.

**2. Review Park Goals**

Barber stated that if there were remaining funds available at the end of the fiscal year, he would recommend allocating those funds to Glenstone Park equipment additions. North Point parking and trails are also a priority. Molden indicated that it would be well received by the residents to have play equipment or a dog park available for the large

amount young family's and children in the Glenstone Park area. Barber indicated that the first part of June would be the time to determine if any funds would be available.

### **3. P & R Director Comments**

Barber presented the summer schedule for the board to review. There are approximately 200 kids signed up at this time for the Bam Bam Baseball and tiny Kickers. Barber indicated the 3-5 year old participation has shown a lot of growth. For the school age children they have a number of Summer Adventures planned, Volleyball camps, and running programs to point out a few. The summer swimming schedule will be with the Dallas Center pool. There has also been an interest in full day summer camps for the school age children. Barber added that the Camp Fire group was willing to come in and rent a couple of rooms for that program this summer. On June 7<sup>th</sup>, a Kiddie parade will be part of the kick off for this years Governors' Days.

### **6. Council Update**

Council member Patterson recommended that the Parks And Rec board be prepared to provide numbers for their top three projects they want to have funding for at the June meeting. Patterson thought it would be a good plan to have that ready if there are funds available at the fiscal year end.

### **III. Board Action**

None

### **IV. Old Business**

None

### **V. New Business**

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### **VI. Adjournment:**

Motion by Molden, Second by Breed to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 pm