

**MINUTES  
PARK BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2023  
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: AUTUMN GRAYBILL, RON REISER, PAM BUFFINGTON, ROY JACKSON, SHERRY ALEXANDER, CHRIS GRAVES, KEITH SHELBY.

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Shelby called the Park Board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present: Autumn Graybill, Ron Reiser, Pam Buffington, Roy Jackson, Sherry Alexander, Chris Graves and Keith Shelby. Members absent: none.

Others present: Frank Powell, Dennis Bowman, Mayor Doyle, Gilbert Graybill and Terry Aylward.

**2. ADMINISTER OATHS OF OFFICE TO AUTUMN GRAYBILL, SEAT #1, TERM EXPIRING 7/31/26, SHERRY ALEXANDER, SEAT #5, TERM EXPIRING 7/31/26 AND ROY JACKSON, SEAT #4, TERM EXPIRING 7/31/26.**

No action. Mayor administered Oaths of Office to Autumn Graybill, Sherry Alexander and Roy Jackson.

**3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE PARK BOARD.**

Motion was made by Rieser, second by Jackson to nominate Keith Shelby for Chairman of the Park Board. Voting yes: Graybill, Reiser, Buffington, Jackson, Alexander, Graves and Shelby. Voting no: none.

**4. PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE.**

There were no petitions.

**5. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2023 REGULAR MEETING.**

Motion was made by Reiser, second by Buffington to approve the minutes of the May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 regular meeting. All voted yes.

**6. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 REGULAR MEETING.**

Motion was made by Buffington, second by Alexander to approve the minutes of the July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 regular meeting. All voted yes.

**7. PARK REPORT – SUPERINTENDENT FRANK POWELL:**

**a. Parks**

Powell reported that they have been working on fall maintenance and fence repairs. He stated that the splash pad will be closing next weekend.

Powell also reported that the pickleball courts have remained busy. He stated that there has been some demand for more courts, and visitors are traveling to visit Pryor because of the courts. The board discussed the possibility of installing more pickleball courts and potentially hosting tournaments.

**b. Cemetery**

Powell reported that the purchase of a 1.6 acre property adjacent to the Cemetery was denied by Council. He stated that he intends to continue working to complete the purchase.

**8. GOLF COURSE REPORT – DIRECTOR DENNIS BOWMAN.**

Bowman reported that the recent tournament for the RAE Foundation was a success and there are more tournaments coming soon. He stated he has been working with the Street Department and Emergency Management to finish cleaning up storm debris and complete the process for the FEMA reimbursement.

**9. POOL TASK FORCE UPDATE.**

Doyle reported that the online and in-person surveys successfully provided the task force with detailed information about what the public expects from the new pool. He stated that the current focus is selecting the features that will be included in the new project.

**10. DISCUSSION REGARDING PARK BOARD SUBCOMMITTEES.**

The board discussed implementing subcommittees to focus on individual aspects of the park system.

Shelby moved to item 12.

**12. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY RECOMMEND COUNCIL ACTION REGARDING ALLOWING LAKES AREA ABATE CHAPTER 13 TO HOST A HALLOWEEN EVENT AND CANDY GIVEAWAY ON OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2023 AT CENTENNIAL PARK.**

Motion was made by Buffington, second by Jackson to recommend Council action regarding allowing Lakes Area ABATE Chapter 13 to host a Halloween event and candy giveaway on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at Centennial Park. All voted yes.

Shelby moved to item 11.

**11. DISCUSSION REGARDING PARK, CEMETERY, AND GOLF COURSE BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024.**

The board discussed the approved Park, Cemetery and Golf Course Budgets for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

**13. DISCUSS, POSSIBLY RECOMMEND COUNCIL ACTION REGARDING THE DESIGN AND PURCHASE OF A SKATE PARK.**

Motion was made by Reiser, second by Buffington to recommend Council action regarding the design and purchase of a skate park. Motion was amended by Reiser, second by Buffington to include Phase 1 and concrete installation. Voting yes: Reiser, Buffington, Jackson, Alexander, Shelby and Graybill. Abstaining, counting as a no vote: Graves. Voting no: none.

**14. UNFORESEEABLE BUSINESS.**

Doyle discussed the fuel tank proposal in progress and the possibility of placing fuel tanks on park properties.

**15. ADJOURN.**

Motion was made by Buffington, second by Alexander to adjourn. All voted yes.