

FLOODPLAIN PERMIT COMMITTEE MEETING
201 West Gray, Building A, Conference Room D
Virtual Meeting via Video Conference

Monday, April 6, 2020
3:30 p.m.

Minutes

PRESENT: Shawn O’Leary, Director of Public Works
Scott Sturtz, City Engineer
Ken Danner, Subdivision Development Manager
Sherri Stansel, Citizen Member
Neil Suneson, Citizen Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Carrie Evenson, Stormwater Program Manager
Todd McLellan, Development Engineer
Amy Shepard, Staff
Bret Cabiness, Cabiness Engineering
James Briggs, Parks Planner

The meeting was called to order by Shawn O’Leary at 3:31 p.m.

Item No. 1, Approval of Minutes:

Five members of the committee were present, and a quorum was established. Jane Hudson was absent. Mr. O’Leary called for a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of March 2, 2020. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Scott Sturtz. The motion was seconded by Ken Danner. The minutes were approved 5-0.

Item No. 2, Floodplain Permit Application No. 612:

Mr. O’Leary said this application is to demolish an existing, abandoned water storage tank and pump building and construct a half-pipe ramp, street-course, and large skate bowl as part of a new skate park in the southeast corner of Andrews Park, a portion of which is in the Imhoff Creek floodplain. Dr. Carrie Evenson gave the staff report for Floodplain Permit Application No. 612. Dr. Evenson said the applicant is the City of Norman Parks and Recreation Department

represented by Mr. James Briggs, and the engineer is Bret Cabbiness with Cabbiness Engineering. Dr. Evenson said Andrews Park is owned and maintained by the City of Norman Parks and Recreation Department. The park consists of 17.2 acres located between North Park Avenue and North James Garner Avenue south of West Acres Street. Dr. Evenson said the planned skate park will be located in the southeast corner of the park where an existing, abandoned water storage tank and pump building are located. Dr. Evenson said it will provide the general public with access to a half-pipe ramp, street-course, and large skate bowl. Dr. Evenson reviewed plans of the project and noted that a portion of the skate park project, which includes part of the street course and several sidewalk connections, is located in the Imhoff Creek Floodplain. Dr. Evenson said no work will take place within the Imhoff Creek floodway. Dr. Evenson presented aerial photographs of the location and noted the floodplain and floodway boundaries. Sherri Stansel asked if the tennis and basketball courts would be disturbed. Dr. Evenson confirmed the tennis and basketball courts were to be left undisturbed and are not included in the permit application. Dr. Evenson verified the application meets all applicable ordinances and said that staff recommends approval of Floodplain Permit Application No. 612. Mr. O'Leary asked if Mr. Briggs or Mr. Cabbiness would like to add any additional information. Mr. Briggs said that the staff report was a great summary and that he would just like to add that the work would not have an impact to the current courts that are located next to the proposed skate park. Mr. O'Leary noted that the aerial photograph does not reflect the realignment of James Garner Avenue at the intersection of Acres Street. Mr. O'Leary asked for questions from the committee or a motion. Mr. Suneson recommended approval of Floodplain Permit Application No. 612. Mr. Sturtz seconded the motion. The committee voted to approve the application 5-0.

Item No. 3, Miscellaneous Discussion:

- a) Mr. O’Leary said the April 20, 2020, meeting has been cancelled due to lack of applications.
- b) Mr. O’Leary said the deadline for the May 4, 2020, meeting is coming up on April 15, 2020.

Item No. 4, Adjournment:

Mr. O’Leary called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Sturtz motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Mr. Danner. Motion was approved 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 3:44 p.m.