
Norman Board of Park Commissioners
January 2, 2014

The Norman Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in the City Council Chambers on the 2nd day of January, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. and notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at 201 West Gray Street, 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

ITEM 1, being:

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Farley and Commissioners Brigham, Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, London and Perry

Absent: Commissioners Hoover and Stewart

City Officials

Present: Jud Foster, Director of Parks and Recreation
James Briggs, Park Planner

ITEM 2, being:

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 3, 2013 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner London made the motion and Commissioner Chappel seconded to approve the minutes. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Farley and Commissioners Brigham, Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, London and Perry

NAY: None

ITEM 3, being:

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Chappel made the motion and Commissioner Perry seconded to approve the agenda with the correction of The Performing Arts Studio reporting instead of The Cleveland County Historical Museum. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Farley and Commissioners Brigham, Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, London and Perry

NAY: None

ITEM 4, being

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF PARK
COMMISSIONERS**

The motion was made by Commissioner Brigham and seconded by Commissioner London to re-elect Jackie Farley as the Chair of the Board of Park Commissioners. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Farley and Commissioners Brigham, Brockhaus, Chappel,
Goth, London and Perry

NAY: None

ITEM 5, being

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF PARK
COMMISSIONERS**

The motion was made by Commissioner Goth and seconded by Commissioner Stewart to re-elect Heather Perry as the Vice Chair of the Board of Park Commissioners. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Farley and Commissioners Brigham, Brockhaus, Chappel,
Goth, London and Perry

NAY: None

ITEM 6, being:

**CONSIDERATION OF PARKLAND DEDICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE
MONTORO RIDGE PUD ADDITION**

Montoro Ridge PUD Addition is located in the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 17 Township 9 North, Range 2 West of the Indian Meridian and is located in the southwest corner of the intersection of Tecumseh Road and 12th Avenue NE. The site is directly east of the Vineyard Addition; and the Norman Public School site shown on the Montoro Ridge plat actually adjoins the Vineyard Park property line on its western edge (see map). The neighborhood where Montoro Ridge is proposed also is home to two other parks in the same square mile as the existing Vineyard Park (Chisholm's Cattle Trail Park and Sequoyah Trails Park—see map).

Montoro Ridge Addition PUD is on a tract of land that will include a commercial corner at the corner of Tecumseh Road and 12th Avenue NE and the aforementioned NPS site in the area between Montoro Ridge and The Vineyard neighborhood. There are 67 R-1 housing sites in this plat, which would generate a parkland dedication requirement of .4389 acre. When completed, Montoro Ridge Addition will generate \$5,025 in Neighborhood Park Development Fees, and the same in Community Park Development Fees.

The developer would like to pursue a fee-in-lieu of park land decision, while also setting aside several acres of open space in the neighborhood that will be maintained by the Homeowner's Association. The fees collected for this plat will be used to make improvements to Vineyard Park, which will be easily accessed via neighborhood streets and sidewalks.

Staff recommends that the Board of Park Commissioners make a fee-in-lieu of land decision for the Montoro Ridge Addition PUD.

The motion was made by Commissioner Brigham and seconded by Commissioner Perry to recommend a fee-in-lieu of land decision for the Montoro Ridge Addition PUD. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH:	Chairman Farley and Commissioners Brigham, Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, London and Perry
NAY:	None

ITEM 7, being:

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORT AND ACTIVITIES FROM THE
PERFORMING ARTS STUDIO

Nancy McClellan Assistant to the Director of the Performing Arts Studio presented to the board. Rick Fry has resigned and the board has selected Shari Ransley as the new Executive Director. She is also the director of the Cimarron Opera Company. The Performing Arts Studio continues to host train passengers 8 to 9 AM Monday through Friday. Volunteers open the Depot and serve as passenger hosts each evening and on weekends.

Summer Breeze continues to be their main program. There were 8 concerts in Lions Park for the 2013 season and attendance has doubled. Other programs include Winter Wind, Second Friday Circuit of Arts, Poetry Readings and Gallery Exhibitions. Art for Life meets at the Depot on Friday mornings. The program provides an open art studio for local residents who are ill, lonely or cannot afford art lessons.

The Depot continues to be a popular venue for weddings and parties. Rentals are a major revenue resource for the PAS and are consistent with last year's numbers. A new quarterly fundraiser called Corkscrew and Canvas has become very popular. Ms. McClellan thanked the Board and the City for allowing their group to use the facility and stated Norman is truly enriched by the support provided not only for the PAS, but also the Firehouse Art Center, Sooner Theatre and Moore-Lindsey House.

A more detailed written report was submitted prior to the meeting.

The board acknowledged the report.

ITEM 8, being:

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORT FROM WESTWOOD TENNIS CENTER

David Minihan, Westwood Tennis Pro, presented to the Board. The center hosted 8 United States Tennis Association (USTA) Oklahoma District tournaments, 3 USTA Missouri Valley Sectional tournaments and 3 USTA National tournaments. They had record participation in the Junior division with some weeks averaging 75 players ages 3-18. They were able to purchase new Under 8 nets with a USTA grant. For 2014, USTA has restructured and there will be fewer tournaments awarded, but Westwood has received 2 National tournaments and 1 Sectional tournament.

The City of Norman continues to make improvements at the facility. This year all 12 courts were resurfaced utilizing capital improvement money and the drainage problem was resolved.

The board acknowledged the report.

ITEM 9, being:

MISCELLANEOUS

Jud Foster informed the board that Hank Enterline was retiring as the liaison between the Rotary Club and the Parks and Recreation Department. Staff will order an appreciation plaque to present during the next park board meeting. The new liaison will be Rick McKinney.

The process is underway for hiring a new Golf Pro. Currently we are in the 2nd round of interviews and then will recommend a contract.

There has not been a lot of change at Legacy Park. Currently the effort has been construction of the pond wall. The fountain equipment is beginning to arrive. Weather has pushed back the opening to the middle of August.

A new shelter similar to the one at Rotary Park is going to be built in Andrews Park. The Assistance League of Norman has donated \$56,000 as part of their 40th anniversary celebration to help with the construction. It will be built northwest of the amphitheater.

Staff recently accepted a donation of \$80,000 from the Norman Youth Soccer Association towards a lighting project at the fields.

Jud Foster stated there was some tree damage in all parks, mostly small limbs. Crews are working to get it out. There is a debris contractor in town.

ITEM 10, being:

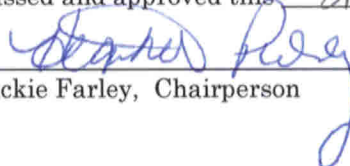
ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Goth made the motion and Commissioner Chappel seconded to adjourn. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Farley and Commissioners Brigham, Brockhaus, Chappel, Goth, London and Perry

NAY: None

Passed and approved this 2nd of February 2014



Jackie Farley, Chairperson