Norman Board of Parks Commissioners January 5, 2017

The Norman Board of Parks Commissioners of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in the City Council Chambers on the 5th day of January, 2017 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 Hoover and Commissioners London, Moxley, Rogers, Sallee

and Salmond

Absent:

Commissioner Wright (2 positions vacant)

City Officials

Present:

Jud Foster, Director of Parks and Recreation

ITEM 2, being:

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 1, 2016 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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

YEAH:

Chairman Hoover and Commissioners London, Moxley, Rogers, Sallee

and Salmond

NAY:

None

ITEM 3, being:

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner London made the motion and Commissioner Salmond seconded to approve the agenda and move item 6 before item 4. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH:

Chairman Hoover and Commissioners London, Moxley, Rogers, Sallee

and Salmond

NAY:

None

ITEM 4, being:

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORT FROM WESTWOOD TENNIS CENTER.

Tennis Pro, David Minihan reported on the operations of the Westwood Tennis Center over the past year. Since he last reported the construction of 4 Kids Courts with spectator seating has been completed. Westwood Tennis Center is only 1 of 2 facilities in the Missouri Valley that has stand-alone youth courts. He showed pictures of the current facility including the youth courts and spectator patio and the construction of the new facilities as part of the Norman Forward projects. Plans are for the current courts 6 and 7 to be demolished and replaced with an indoor complex with bright LED lights making the ball easy to see. In 2016 they hosted 2 National Tournaments, 4 Sectional Tournaments and 10 District Tournaments. They have been awarded 2 National, 2 Sectional and 12 District Tournaments for 2017. In 2016 Lisa Minihan was named the USTA National Tournament Director of the Year and David and Lisa Minihan were named the USTA Missouri Valley Tournament Directors of the Year.

The board acknowledged the presentation

ITEM 5, being

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

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

YEAH:

 $Chairman\ Hoover\ and\ Commissioners\ London,\ Moxley,\ Rogers,\ Sallee$

and Salmond

NAY:

None

ITEM 6, being

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

The motion was made by Commissioner London and seconded by Commissioner Moxley to elect Jeff Salmond as the Vice Chair of the Board of Park Commissioners. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH:

Chairman Hoover and Commissioners London, Moxley, Rogers, Sallee

and Salmond

NAY:

None

ITEM 7, being:

MISCELLANEOUS

Commissioner Rogers inquired as to an update on the Little Axe Ballfields. Jud Foster informed the board staff has touched base with the organization and we have a civil engineering firm working on a design to address the run-off issue. They plan to have it finished by spring along with installing new bleachers.

Jud Foster informed the board the RFP for design firms for the Reaves Park and Griffin Park sport complexes had been issued. Proposals are due back January 20th. We hope submit contracts for City Council consideration in February. Staff met with the Mayor and City Manager and reviewed a list of citizen volunteers to participate on two different Ad-Hoc Committee for these projects. Chairman Hoover volunteered to serve on the Ad Hoc committee for the Reaves Park Complex. Commissioner Salmond volunteered to serve on the Griffin Park Complex Ad Hoc committee.

Concrete has been poured for the court surfaces at the tennis center and the fence posts have been installed. They are just waiting for the correct temperature before applying before the surfacing. Staff is preparing the RFP for the Indoor Tennis facility.

Westwood Family Aquatic Center is progressing. Currently weather conditions have it a little behind schedule.

Commissioner London asked about Francis Cate Park and the soccer fields. She asked if it was kind of an annex to Griffin. Jud Foster stated it is a neighborhood park and that the soccer association provided the goals. Soccer does not control the space, it is a first come, first serve facility.

Citizen Karen Chapman informed the board her group had received a grant for a pollinator garden in conjunction with Lincoln Elementary for Eastwood Park.

ITEM 8, being:

ADJOURNMENT

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

YEAH:

Chairman Hoover and Commissioners London, Moxley, Rogers, Sallee

and Salmond

NAY:

None

Passed and approved this 3nd of Jebruary 201

Debbie Hoover, Chairperson