

Norman Board of Parks Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 3, 2018

The Norman Board of Parks Commissioners of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Council Chambers on the 3rd day of May, 2018 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 Dolan, Commissioners Favors, Isacksen, Rogers, Sallee and Salmond

Absent: Commissioners Hoover, Moxley and Wright

City Officials

Present: Jud Foster, Director of Parks and Recreation
James Briggs, Park Planner
Jason Olsen, Interim Recreation Superintendent
Karla Chapman, Administrative Technician IV

ITEM 2, being:

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 5, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

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

YEAH: Chairman Dolan, Commissioners Favors, Isacksen, Rogers, Sallee and Salmond

NAY: None

ITEM 3, being:

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

YEAH: Chairman Dolan, Commissioners Favors, Isacksen, Rogers, Sallee and Salmond

NAY: None

ITEM 4, being

DISCUSSION REGARDING RELOCATION OF BLAKE BALWIN SKATEPARK

Mr. James Briggs, Park Planner, said there were two site options for relocating those components which would not be placed in Lions Memorial Park. He said the 12th Avenue Recreation Center was looked at, but it was determined that it would not work because of the adjacent school property; and Oaktree South Park was considered; however, that site is not large enough to accommodate another skate park component.

Mr. Briggs said one set of skate park components has already been relocated to Colonial Commons Park and relocating additional components will give skaters more features at that site without pouring additional concrete.

Commissioner Rogers said the components will be repainted after the new design is approved by Art Council. Mr. Briggs said yes, the two themes for the skatepark components will be Fire and Earth.

Commissioner Sallee said Tulls Park was mentioned by a citizen during public comments at the April Park Board meeting and asked if it was considered. Mr. Briggs said Tulls Park does not have enough space and trees would need to be removed. Mr. Jud Foster, Parks and Recreation Director, said Tulls Park is located in close proximity to residential homes and therefore a skatepark would not be ideal at this park site.

Mr. Briggs said the skatepark pieces have already been taken apart, transported very well and are going back together nicely. Commissioner Isacksen asked whether or not skaters will be able to get enough acceleration at Colonial Commons and Mr. Briggs said yes. Commissioner Salmond asked whether new signage has been put up at the skatepark locations and Mr. Briggs said no; however, new signage will be installed soon.

Mr. Foster said eventually a new Blake Baldwin Skatepark will be constructed at Andrews Park. He said plans are to incorporate some of the old components with new and have a large concrete bowl. Chairman Dolan said Rhonda Baldwin has raised private funds and the City will use Norman Forward funds as well.

Chairman Dolan asked whether or not the excavation at Lions Memorial Park was rectified and Mr. Briggs said yes the contractor has done so.

Chairman Dolan said the Park Board needed to approve and make a recommendation for the proposed relocation of Blake Baldwin Skate Park to Colonial Commons Park. Commissioner Sallee made the motion to recommend the proposed relocation of Blake Baldwin Skate Park to Colonial Commons Park and Commissioner Isacksen seconded. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Dolan, Commissioners Favors, Isacksen, Rogers, Sallee and Salmond

NAY: None

ITEM 5, being

MISCELLANEOUS

The Park Board will take a park tour after adjourning tonight's meeting to the following parks: Oakhurst Park, Sonoma Park, Oaktree South Park, Colonial Commons Park, Adkins Park, Prairie Creek Park, Ruby Grant Park, and concluding at Westwood Family Aquatic Center.

ITEM 6, being

ADJOURNMENT

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

YEAH: Chairman Dolan, Commissioners Favors, Isacksen, Rogers, Sallee and Salmond

NAY: None

Passed and approved this _____ of _____ 2018

Bud Dolan, Chairperson