

**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
CITY HALL
THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2017
6:00 P.M.**

Call to Order: Chairperson Gary Johnson

Invocation: Chairperson Gary Johnson

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairperson Gary Johnson

Roll Call: Those in attendance were, Chairperson Gary Johnson, Vice Chairperson David Fawcett, Board Member Thornton.

Also in attendance were Parks and Recreation Director Richard Weed and Administrative Assistant Anaeli Quinones.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: MAY 18, 2017

Chairperson Johnson asked to make a motion to approve the minutes for May 18, 2017; **Vice Chairperson Fawcett** made the motion, seconded by **Board Member Thornton** and motion was approved by unanimous voice call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1) DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON SECURITY DEPOSIT FOR YOUTH SPORT LEAGUES.

Parks and Recreation Director Weed started by following up from last year's changes to the sports league application. He suggested raising the security deposit to \$500.00 for any youth league that would want to come into Lake Alfred to use the City fields. This deposit may be refundable at the end of the season, as long as all obligations in the contract are met. He named all of the requirements that are in the contract, such as, insurance, background screening of the coaches, contact info for anyone involved in the league, etc. He checked with other cities regarding the charge per player and that is not what the City wants to do. This will also fall in line with the special events application. And just like those, the deposit would be refunded as long as all stipulations in the contract are met. He asked if there were any questions. **Chairperson Johnson** asked how many weeks out of the year they would use? **Parks and Recreation Director Weed** replied by saying it varies with baseball being in the spring and football being from now until the end of November. This covers all type of sports. **Chairperson Johnson** asked if anyone else had any questions and also if they were ready to vote. **Parks and Recreation Director Weed** went on to say that it is not about charging the leagues, it is something that the City wants to do. This is just to move forward with progress, and ensuring that the leagues follow the contracts. **Board Member Thornton** asked about

leniency with the leagues that might be struggling to come up with the amount of money. **Parks and Recreation Director Weed** said that there would not be an issue, as there are fundraiser options to cover for it. **Vice Chairperson Fawcett** reinstated that it would be the same across the board with all teams. **Parks and Recreation Director Weed** stated that maybe in the future that could change as well whether to bring it up or keep it at \$500.00 or do something else. **Chairperson Johnson** asked to make a motion to vote on the security deposit. **Vice Chairperson Fawcett** made the motion, seconded by **Board Member Thornton** and motion was approved by unanimous voice call vote.

Chairperson Johnson moved on to the next business item.

2) UPDATES ON CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS.


Parks and Recreation Director Weed said that there was no July 4th Celebration this year. He talked about Summer Camp taking place right now and how good it is going. He mentioned the Good Ole' Days event coming up on October 14th and it being train themed. There will be a special event in November for the 100th year anniversary for Mackay, and that is still being worked on. More details will come. Bluegrass Bash will be on January 13th, 2018, and the BBQ competition will take place as well, with adding a backyard category this year for those that do not want to compete in the high division. **Vice Chairperson Fawcett** suggested for there to be a tent with just water for sale since in years past they were running out of waters. **Parks and Recreation Director Weed** said it could be a good fundraiser for Little League Baseball. **Chairperson Johnson** asked if there were any questions or concerns.

There were none.

Chairperson Johnson asked for a motion to adjourn. **Board Member Thornton** made the motion, seconded by **Vice Chairperson Fawcett**.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Anaeli Quinones
Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant