

Parks and Trees Committee – August 9, 2023 6 pm

Minutes

Location

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/91746576398>

Meeting id: (enter manually if issue with link): 917 4657 6398 **Mobile** 1-346-248-7799, (id 917 4657 6398)

Committee Members: (highlighted in attendance)

Sarah Martin, (Chair)

Jaime Davis, Judy Hyde, Emma Burger, Kailee Noland, Linda Heinen, Linda Thornburg, Matt Lero, Russell McCorkle,

Kate Raglow, Council Liaison, Tom Madigan, Council Liaison alt,

Facilitator: Anthony Marshall, Parks and Recreation Superintendent

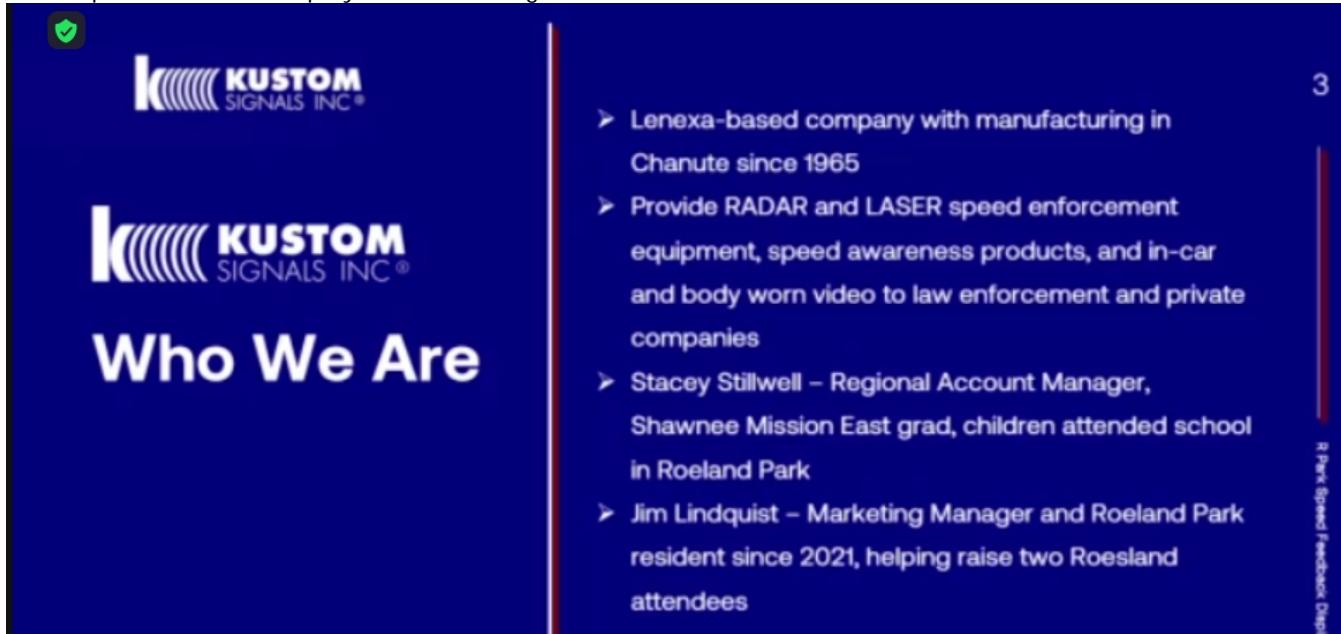
Daniel VandenBos – public works (optional)

Consent Agenda:

- Total available funds for expenditure: \$2,973.56
- Approve minutes from July

Guests:

- Mallorie Hurlbert- prospective committee member, approve?
- Kustom Signals- presenting idea for traffic garden- Stacey and Jim
 - Speed feedback displays- have traffic garden



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- Lenexa-based company with manufacturing in Chanute since 1965
- Provide RADAR and LASER speed enforcement equipment, speed awareness products, and in-car and body worn video to law enforcement and private companies
- Stacey Stillwell – Regional Account Manager, Shawnee Mission East grad, children attended school in Roeland Park
- Jim Lindquist – Marketing Manager and Roeland Park resident since 2021, helping raise two Roesland attendees

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- Sell mostly to police departments, and cities- have an idea for



Our Idea

- Add one of our pole-mounted RADAR feedback displays to the R Park traffic garden
- This will let the users of the traffic garden see their speed when biking, running, etc.
- This will add even more fun to the traffic garden, but also teach the children about the importance of safe speeds
- We can lend a display on a temporary basis and train necessary city/park staff on operation if a purchase is made

- On a temporary basis, could loan it to the city- for 60-90 days- battery power display- during lending process can charge the sign, keep it mounted, if we decide to purchase, could go with a solar option



Our Product

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- Pole Mounted Display uses RADAR to show the speed of cars/pedestrians/bicycles
- This allows communities to remind citizens of speed limits in the area as well as collect data for use by traffic engineers and police
- Uses a battery with 5-7 day runtime or can be used with a solar panel
- Attaches to a typical street sign pole, just like the one already in place at R Park
- The unit is tamper resistant, safe, and resistant to impact and vandalism

- Sign is tamper resistant
- Attaches to any normal pole
- Put it on a higher height than the current speed limit sign



Our Product

Benefits

- Tests show road speeds drop 11mph on average when signs are deployed¹
- Studies show that speed displays have a lasting effect on lowering speeds, even after they're moved²
- This will give our community's children a unique awareness of speed limits and speed compliance when they are out on the roads with their parents, and when it's their time to drive

- Should pick up even kids running- can program remotely with a speed threshold
 - Could set a violator alert
- Slightly higher pole than current- city has a lot of poles
 - Better reading and safety
- Cost of sign after the loan- battery 5-8 days of running- 2736.50 (KS state procurement pricing list)- retail is about twice that, solar option is 3487.90
 - Keep in mind- liability for governing body- will ask about that- could share terms with us
- Kids race the fastest- could make it blank out after a speed threshold
- Graffiti- coding to make it easy to clean graffiti- powder coated
- Data for often it's used or triggered
 - Group unanimously voted to move forward for a trial period- Parks recommendation to council

Discussion/updates/new items:

- Nall Park Master Plan- City Council update

Public Comment/ Concerns:

- Trash issues in the pavilion

Completed in last month:

Open Action Items : (will discuss next month, on here for record keeping)

All Parks/Trees:

- Anthony/Team would still like to have a fun event for this group- potluck in R Park
 - Emma agreed to help!
 - Start with a date survey for this group.
 - September 13- next Parks meeting!

- Discuss addressing vandalism in the Parks/PW in the Parks
 - Reminder on Neighborhood watch- the Chief has some great information on Parks watch
 - Might be not ongoing for now- all those occurred in one month
- Watering- Anthony is working on a bid for it
 - Anthony still working on for irrigation, on the list for a Budget Objective
 - Donnie working with Anthony on it- PW focused
 - Due to weather, no movement recently
- Sign Committee- update
 - Came up with some language
 - Jaime had started a document
 - Linda, Jaime, Russel

Social Media/Community Outreach

- Jaime, Sarah, Kallee, Emma
- Will be a new agenda item section for our meetings

Cooper Creek:

- updates- **Judy**
 - Sidewalk to sign was started a while back, delayed due to storms
 - Working on QR code for city website- figuring out how to add
- Play equipment update/balance beam?
 - Daniel should be working on finalizing
- Any updates on erosion
 - Habitat Architects are planting native trees, starting review
 - Will review the tree growth every year
- Undeirable natives- Habitat
 - Anthony spoke to them- recommended pulling it out/cutting it back
 - PW can work

Nall Park:

- Update on timeline and budget- Master Plan- approval from Council?
 - Approved to move forward with Lamp Rynersaon
 - Tuesday at 9am- should have a report for timeline for next meeting
- Goats to clear Nall- check them out
 - Generate excitement about our future plans in Nall Park
- Timeline reminder- Construction is moved out to 2026, money for new PW this year and 2025 Nall Park is community center phase 2, due to timeline constraints
 - Next steps:
 - Select/Finalize vendor to update the master plan
 - Discuss ideas with Design/Construction vendor
 - Master plan (work with) and the City Engineer
 - Both Parks and Council approval
 - Community forum/feedback
 - Dots exercise or other means of feedback
 - Group planning and review of detailed plans/any edits

- Final plan/any changes requires Parks and Council approval
 - Execution
- Sewer work has impacted the trail- any updates (no longer getting response from Urban Trails)
 - Ask PW if it's a safety issue as far as the sewer work portion
 - KS Heavy is going to fix it with sod, grass, adding signage to stay on the trail
 - Not sure when it will happen with the weather
 - Anthony got ahold of someone with the contract for Urban Trails
 - need ideas for future trail maintenance still
- A Federal Land and Water Conservation grant for contribution of costs to the Nall Park- possibly for inclusive play.
 - Vendor will support us to investigate the grants- move to parking lot

R Park:

- Discuss R Park Bathroom Safety - Locks
 - Locks don't coincide with automatic locking at night- manual and automatic don't really work together
 - Add to discussion for next time
- Future discussion on R Park planting/watering
 - \$2200 reserved for this already in the R Park "bucket" from Citizens Fundraising for R Park
 - irrigation
- Colors for R Park post- painting Teal
 - Can paint match and do this shortly
 - On the list, they have the paint, probably will be September when they do it
- R Park- "Mighty Bike" Sculpture- Matt
 - Costs higher than expected for fabrication, met with a fabricator that has some potential, wants a full construction drawing set- we had planned to do shop drawings
 - Another group interested in doing a bid
 - Should have back Thursday or Friday this week
- R Park- Wildflower Meadow Subcommittee- Jaime
- R Park-Large trash cans and recycling bins
 - Discussion item for next time
- Omission on the plaque- update?
 - Donnie is working on who did the original- new plaque for \$1200- Kate will work with Council on it
- One of the infant seats is broken on the swings
 - fixed

Sweeney:

- Small play structure?

Other Parks (no agenda items listed):

- Carpenter, Juniper Granada, any updates from group?- not today
- Other- BCBS wants to rent the tennis courts and parking lot to do a video from 8am-12pm- Park and tennis courts, see who it would affect

Next Regular Parks Meeting September 13, 6 pm- in R Park! (Also potluck fun!)

Discussion-

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Parking Lot

- R Park
- Maple tree on NE corner- appears to be sickly- see if needs to be trimmed/removed- **PW**
 - To address in spring, place in parking lot
- Basketball court-*Better basketball goals might be better and other options for a light re-surface*
 - Estimate?
 - Consider for objective next year, council project, 2-3 council members?
- Birch tree on NW corner- erosion
 - **Daniel**- eroding on south Side of the tree- something may need to be engineered-Laura talked to Daniel, they are going to wait and see what happens with drainage
- Sweeney – play structure
- Tree/Art markers
- Making adjustments to the objective
- Project will be around 13-16 K
- 2024 budget item
- **Anthony/Daniel** will work to incorporate Arbor Master's tree inventory for a tree replacement schedule for entire Park system. Budget to be established.
- We will push Bridge the Gap Foundation and Contain the Rain JoCo resources to community. Presentation in new year?
- Islands and Medians open for adoption
- do we want that to be available, under Donnie's purview
 - Traditionally available, but program is not coherent/available- parking lot until website is available
 - City website- make ability to rent Pavilion/shelters easier/easier to find?- any updates?- Sarah- ask Kelly
 - On the page for the specific parks and Navigation for How do I would be good additions (put on pause to send in for a couple months)- do in April
 - <https://www.roelandpark.net/facilities/facility/details/rpark-7>
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