

Parks Committee

City of Roeland Park
Meeting Minutes Draft 1.0
Wednesday, November 8th, 2017
Roeland Park City Hall

Attendees

Committee members and liaisons- Corey Coe, Emily Hage, Jared Luebe, Jim Kanally, Jennifer Provyn, Donnie Scharff Public Works, Jennifer Provyn, Tyler Steele. Kathleen Whitworth

Guests- Judy Hyde, Jim Kelly, George Knipp

Call to Order by Jennifer Provyn

- 2017 currently available funds for Parks Committee
\$344.00 Foundation carryover
\$704.87 2017 Allotment
Total funds available for expenditure-\$1048.87

Old Business

Action items completed

- October, 2017 Minutes approved
- Granada Park-damaged plinths removed and stored at Public Works
- R Park-Bike rack installation complete
- R Park-Damaged Basketball nets replaced
- Carpenter Park-Mulch bleed & low hanging limb addressed
- Nall Park bathroom winterized and closed
- Drinking fountains at Nall Park, R Park and Granada Park winterized

Citizen Voices –

- Soccer nets @R Park are in poor condition and need to be addressed. Update: nets have been taken down and Parks will address purchasing replacements in the spring.

Presentations-

- The second draft of R Park shelter and sun shades was presented by George Knipp, Architect and Judy Hyde, Committee. The presentation was well received. **Thanks to the Committee for all their good work!**

New Actions items

- Parks needs to determine expenditures for 2017 allotment and balance in the Community Foundation at the December, 2017 meeting. Need a definite plan for available funds.
- A potential new grant for the tennis court was identified by Emily and will be researched as to viability by-Parks.

Continuing Action items

- Damaged & diseased trees (2) in R Park are being addressed by Public Works. It is thought they will need to be replaced with new trees.
- Diseased evergreen at the Community Center is being monitored by Public Works
- Solution for the ongoing maintenance of R Park trail needs to be developed and ownership taken Parks is recommending that trail needs be incorporated into the 2018 agreement with the lawn service company to ensure the trail is blown off after mowing, weeds kept under control, string trimming, and washouts from rain addressed in a timely manner.
- Patrons are not using available trash and recycle bins at Granada Park. Much trash is strewn about. Suggestions include moving receptacles closer to McDonalds and getting a permanent sign encouraging proper disposal
- Vehicle damage at Granada Park is being addressed by Public Works. Initial expense to come from PW Maintenance budget with reimbursement coming from offender's insurance company. Damages incurred include fence and concrete.
- Due to the City Forrester leaving the employ of Roeland Park the Parks Committee has-concerns in reference to clearly defined roles and responsibilities, tree maintenance, guidance for Parks, Tree City USA status, Arbor Day celebration, tree selection, tree maps and plans, etc.

- Public Works to present plan at January, 2018 Parks meeting
- Ad-Hoc R Park Shade and Shelter team is meeting monthly. Second draft rendering of shelter and sun shades is complete and was presented at November, 2017 Parks meeting. Slated for initial Council presentation in a January, 2018 Workshop.
- Granada Park benches and Nall Park dual trash/recycle bin have been ordered. Expecting December, 2017 delivery with installation in spring, 2018.
- **IMPORTANT!** Park members need to apply for 2018 Parks Committee appointment via Roeland Park website. Appointment is annual. Resume required.
- Need an ordinance prohibiting motorized vehicles on the park trails. No such ordinance currently exists. Tom Madigan has been asked to sponsor.
- Website needs to be updated to include donation policy-Kathleen to check on status
- Juniper pocket park ownership and support requirements-Needs more discussion
- Need new advocate for R Park Marquee. Clearly defined process that is workable for Public works and event coordinators is needed
- Nall Park Bike trail work has begun with implementation targeted for the end of November, 2017
- R Park Tennis Court
 - RFP will be reissued in December requesting for spring 2018 completion
- Bicycle Training Course proposal for R Park will be presented to Council in the first quarter of 2018. Partnering with Sustainability on this proposal.-Jennifer
- Meeting adjournment

Motions Approved

Other Matters/Reminders/Announcements

Future Parks Events

- None

Future Sustainability Events

- None known

Future R Park Fundraising Events

- None known

Future Arts Committee Events

- None known

Future Events Committee Events

- None known

City Events-

- Holiday tree lighting-December 5th 6:00 PM @ Sweeney Park

Community Center Events

- Holiday Marketplace December 2nd 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM@ Roeland Park Community Center

Parks Committee Meetings

Next Regular Committee Meeting: Wednesday, December 13th, 2017, 6:00 PM @ City Hall