# OWOSSO Parks & Recreation Commission



Regular Meeting 6:00 pm Monday, September 28, 2015 City Council Chambers Owosso City Hall



#### **MEMORANDUM**

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DATE: September 24, 2015

TO: Chairman Espich and the Owosso Parks and Recreation Commission

FROM: Susan Montenegro

RE: Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting: September 28, 2015

The Parks & Recreation Commission shall convene at **6:00pm on Monday**, **September 28, 2015** in the city council chambers of city hall. This is a regular meeting, and there will be a planning commission meeting following this meeting at 7:00 p.m.

It has been a while since everyone has been able to make a meeting. Please plan to attend this one. Unfortunately, I will be in Seattle, Washington for the ICMA Annual Conference and will miss this meeting. Mark Sedlak, Deputy Director of Public Services, will be taking my place at the meeting.

#### Items of business are:

- 1. Adams Park Zack Matousek playscape completion details.
- 2. Annual election of officers.
- 3. Skate Park
- 4. Disc Golf

If you have any other updates or new information before the meeting, please send it to me or feel free to call 989.725.0544 or email me at <a href="mailto:susan.montenegro@ci.owosso.mi.us">susan.montenegro@ci.owosso.mi.us</a> with any questions or concerns you may have.

Please RSVP! See you on the 28th!

#### **AGENDA**

#### **Parks & Recreation Commission**

Monday, September 28, 2015--6:00 PM City Hall Council Chambers 301 West Main Street Owosso, MI 48867

Pledge of Allegiance:	
Roll call:	
Approval of agenda:	September 28, 2015
Approval of minutes:	June 22, 2015 July 27, 2015 – no quorum August 24, 2015 – no quorum
Public comments:	
Communications:	
<ol><li>Skate park upd</li></ol>	with city engineer comments in yellow.
Business:	

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- 3. Skate Park
- 4. Disc Golf

Discussion:

Call to order:

**Public comments:** 

Adjournment: Next meeting will be Monday, October 26, 2015.

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#### **Minutes**

### **Regular Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission**

Monday, June 22, 2015 - 6:00 PM City Hall Council Chambers 301 West Main Street Owosso, MI 48867

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Vice- Chair Jeff Selbig called the meeting to order at 6:04

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Was recited by all present

ROLL COLL: Roll Call was taken by Recording Secretary Denice Grace

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Vice-Chairman Jeff Selbig, Commissioner Shane Nelson,

Commissioner Randy Woodworth.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chairman Mike Espich and Commissioner Kristen

Woodbury

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sue Montenegro, Assistant City Manager and Director of

**Director of Community Development** 

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH, SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER NELSON TO APROVE THE AGENDA FOR JUNE 22, 2015.
YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED

# **Approval of Minutes:**

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER NELSON, SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MAY 26, 2015 MEETING. YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**: None

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1. Staff Memorandum
- 2. May 26,2015 Minutes
- 3. Keves Quote

#### **BUSINESS**

**1.** Skate Park- The quote for the skate park is higher than originally thought but the park will also be bigger than thought originally.

Ms. Montenegro and Commissioners Nelson and Woodworth met at the skate park with kids on June 16<sup>th</sup> to get their input. The kids were in favor of a bigger skate park. The kids also were in favor of fencing the area around the skate park to cut down on vandalism and graffiti. Advertising on the fences could also be utilized

Different cities were shown for possible models for our skate park including Charlotte, Lansing, Saginaw and Clawson. Lansing has seating for spectators. Garbage receptacles are also recommended.

Commissioner Woodworth worried about water retention in a bowl-shaped Skate Park. Drainage would also be an issue to consider. Lighting would also have to be taken into consideration.

Commissioner Woodworth talked to local contractor Brian Marks of Great lakes Fusion Custom Concrete Creations about possibly doing the work.

It was questioned whether to go with the original \$6,000 quoted a couple of years ago for the pad or to apply for a grant or to get area businesses to donate funds to make a larger skate park. Possible fundraising ideas included having an event at the Owosso amphitheater and a bike ride in which an admission charge could be used to help raise funds. Nicholas Pidek was mentioned as someone who could help organize a race or event. John Hankerd was also mentioned as a possibility to help organize and promote a fund-raiser for the skate park.

Clawson has a skate board committee and has close to the same size blueprint as Owosso but they have more income. Someone is needed to design a skate park plan. Ms. Montenegro showed a view of a lot next to the skate park on Wright Street that is 126' x 66'. Ms. Montenegro is also worried about the current skate park being located in the flood plain. A second proposed site is on Monroe Street and is on higher ground. Everyone likes the Monroe Street site better for site location and size.

Ms. Montenegro will meet with Chairman Espich to discuss the situation further with him. The kids could also be involved in any further discussion before a decision is made.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH, SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER NELSON TO MOVE TO TABLE THE CURRENT QUOTE FORM KEVES. NO FURTHER DISCUSSION AT THIS TIME. YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Disc Golf-The first proposed site was at Rosevear Park and connected to property owned by Oak Hill Cemetery. A workable agreement/solution could not be obtained between the Oak Hill Cemetery Board and the City of Owosso. The second proposed site is Hopkins Lake. City Manager Don Crawford and Ms. Montenegro talked with John Beebe and Eric Sanderson about moving to Hopkins Lake. Both gentlemen liked the idea of the move to the lake and will start placing nine of the 18 baskets for the first phase of the project.

A question was raised of whether we could move the platforms already in place in

Rosevear Park to reuse at Hopkins Lake.

Discussion was held on whether the city could organize a cleanup to clear brush and have other work done by volunteers to help the project along. John and Eric are very dedicated to the project and have worked last 4 years to get it organized. Commissioner Woodworth thinks we should go ahead with phase 1 and move on next year to phase 2.

**DISCUSSION:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION MADE TO ADJOURN AT 6:45 BY COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH, SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER NELSON.
YEAS ALL, MOTION CARRIED

Next meeting July 27, 2015

#### **MINUTES**

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE OWOSSO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION COUNCIL CHAMBERS-OWOSSO CITY HALL MONDAY JULY 27, 2015, 6:00 P.M.

No quorum was reached, the meeting wasn't held.

#### **MINUTES**

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE OWOSSO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION COUNCIL CHAMBERS-OWOSSO CITY HALL MONDAY AUGUST 24, 2015, 6:00 P.M.

No quorum was reached, the meeting was not held.

#### Owosso Skate Park Update – September 2015

Earlier this year, many brave souls jumped into the icy water at Hopkins Lake to raise money for the skate park renovation. Since then, the parks and recreation commission for the city of Owosso has met with local youth with the intention of finding out what they would like to see done with their park. The ideas and thought process put into the renovation by those who would put the park to full use has been amazing to say the least. Creativity is not lacking by any means with these talented skaters!

Ideas such as the following were discussed at these meetings:

- expanding the skate park and adding more square footage
- building all the ramps out of concrete
- creating a larger park with a bowl
- adding bathrooms to the skate park
- adding lighting to increase safety and create longer hours of use
- adding garbage cans
- fence the skate park
- create parking lot
- having more fundraisers to create a HUGE skate park
- moving the skate park to a different location in Owosso that is out of the flood plain, especially if a bowl is part of the design
- drainage
- skate park has to have flow to design
- let skaters be a part of the design process
- have skaters put in sweat equity during the build process
- get an architectural design from a professional skate park installer

The parks and recreation commission meets at 6:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of every month, except December. You are encouraged to come to the meetings and learn more about the skate park renovation project.

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