

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

Draft Minutes of Wednesday, May 24, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Owosso City Hall

- CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Workman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Was recited
- ROLL CALL:** Was taken by Amy Fuller
- MEMBERS PRESENT:*** Chairman Workman, Commissioners Maginity, Smith, Horton, Rodman, Selbig and Bila.
- MEMBERS ABSENT:*** None
- OTHERS PRESENT:*** Amy Fuller and Don Fields
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** COMMISSIONER HORTON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR MAY 24, 2023. MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER RODMAN. AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** COMMISSIONER HORTON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR APRIL 26, 2023 WITHOUT CHANGES. MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Don Fields from Calvary Baptist Church said that the "Every Castle Needs a Queen" event being held on June 24th at Curwood Castle Park by Owosso Pride is bad for the community and requested the Commission stop the event or recommend to City Council that the event not be allowed.

Commissioner Horton stated that he agreed and asked staff if that was possible.

Amy Fuller responded that the park rules were approved by both the Commission and City Council, putting the responsibility for approving park events on staff. Since staff are not aware of any rules that the event is violating they have authorized the event.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS REPORT:**

Amy Fuller reported that the cornhole boards will be installed at Collamer Park the first week of June along with the swing bench near the kayak landing in Curwood Park. Two new doors were purchased and installed on the outbuildings at Rudy DeMuth Fields. The water fountain for Collamer Park has arrived and will be installed this summer.

**ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

Fitness Course: Commissioner Selbig will visit Harmon Patridge Park and make recommendations for a fitness courts.

Hopkins Lake Trails: Commissioner Maginity reported social media posts about people getting lost on the trails. Commissioner Maginity and Bila volunteered to mark the trails with spray paint on the trees.

Budget Review: Amy Fuller reviewed the approved FY 23/24 parks budget.

Future Meeting Locations: The Commission discussed how they have traditionally met at different parks during the summer months. They discussed looking at maintenance needs while meeting at particular parks. It was decided that the June 28th meeting would be held at Hugh Parker Soccer Fields in the pavilion. Commissioners Bila and Maginity will arrive early to walk through Rosevear Park and report to the Commission.

**Next Meeting:** June 28, 2023, at 7:00 PM at Hugh Park Soccer Fields.

**PUBLIC/COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:58 P.M. MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER HORTON. AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Amy Fuller, Assistant City Manager