

Board of Parks Commissioners
Tuesday, May 21, 2019 4:00 PM
Council Chambers
1369 25 Avenue
Columbus, NE 68601

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1. **Statement of compliance with Open Meetings Act.**
2. **Minutes of April 16, 2019, meeting.**
3. **Report of Public Property Director.**
 - A. Park Department
 - B. Aquatics Department.
 - C. Golf Department.
4. **Training on implementation of paperless agendas.**
5. **Adjourn.**

BOARD OF PARKS COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 16, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Parks Commissioners of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on April 16, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 1369 25 Avenue, Columbus, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Columbus Telegram, with a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and members of the City Council and Board of Parks Commissioners of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS ACT: Chair Hansen announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room. Present were Park Board Members Robbin Cutsor, Chuck Fleeman, Brad Hansen, Sandra Jochens, Nick Larson, Gary Puetz, Bruce Schmidt, and John Shadle. Member Jack Gutierrez was absent and excused. City staff members present included Public Property Director Doug Moore, Mayor Jim Bulkley, City Administrator Tara Vasicek, Park Superintendent Ron Dush, and Account Clerk II/Records Clerk II Linda Nickeson. Also present was Golf Professional Doug Dunbar.

MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 2019, MEETING: The minutes from the March 19, 2019, meeting of the Board of Parks Commissioners were presented. Moved by Cutsor, seconded by Jochens, these minutes be approved as presented. All members present voted "Aye" and motion carried.

REQUEST FOR USE OF GLUR PARK FOR 2019 TIME FOR CHANGE PROGRAM: Santiago Vasquez, Time for Change Director, requested the use of Glur Park for the 2019 Play Days in the Park summer program. The organization intends to use the park Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until noon for four weeks in June and three weeks in July. He confirmed the program was well attended last year and is run by three paid staff members and community volunteers. Moved by Shadle, seconded by Fleeman, to approve the use of Glur Park for the 2019 Play Days in the Park summer program. All members present voted "Aye" and motion carried.

PRIORITIZATON OF REQUESTS FOR CITY FUNDING: Moore presented the results of the surveys prioritizing multiple requests for city funding and said the results will be presented to the City Administrator and Finance Director for consideration in the 2019-2020 Budget.

REVIEW OF AQUATIC CENTER AND PAWNEE PLUNGE FEES: A list of current fees for the Aquatic Center and Pawnee Plunge along with a fee comparison of surrounding water parks was presented. Moore indicated the only proposed changes include an increase to the individual daily admission fee at the Aquatic Center and the daily

admission fees at Pawnee Plunge. Moved by Jochens, seconded by Puetz, to recommend approval of an increase to the individual daily admission fee at the Aquatic Center and the daily admission fees at Pawnee Plunge as presented. All members present voted "Aye" and motion carried.

REVISED 2019 GOLF FEES: A list of revised fees for Quail Run Golf Course for the 2019 season was presented. Moore pointed out that staff is recommending punchcard and daily rates be reduced to match those at Van Berg Golf Course with no change to the cost of passes. Dunbar reviewed the condition of the course after the March flood and said he believes the proposed rates are fair and acceptable to patrons. He confirmed that of the 19 passes purchased prior to the flooding, only two individuals have approached him regarding a refund and that approximately 60 passes have been purchased since at the current rate. Tony Lange stated that he purchased golf, cart, and driving range passes prior to the March flood and is now requesting a full refund for the golf and cart passes. He indicated that he will continue to patronize Quail Run; however, he prefers to pay on a daily basis as he believes the current condition and availability of the course are not what he paid for and he most likely will not play as often as originally planned. Discussion was held regarding the quality of the course and whether or not that should determine if refunds be offered to all who purchased passes. Schmidt recommended the pass rate be reduced by 15% for the entire 2019 season. Vasicek pointed out that purchasing a pass at the current rate is still a good value because those who purchase them recognize that they play enough golf to justify the cost. Following additional discussion regarding the established no refund/non-transferable policy communicated to everyone at the time of purchase it was suggested that the pass rate remain the same, and due to the unusual circumstances, a refund be offered only to those who purchased a pass prior to the flood.

Mayor Bulkley left the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Moved by Larson, seconded by Jochens, to recommend to the mayor and city council, approval to reduce the Quail Run punchcard and daily fees to match those at Van Berg, keep the season pass rates the same, and issue a pass refund to those making a formal request. Hansen, Jochens, Larson, Puetz, Schmidt, and Shadle voted "Aye" and Cutsor and Fleeman voted "Nay". Motioned carried.

Vasicek and Dunbar left the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

REPORT ON PARK DEPARTMENT: Moore reviewed current activity and projects taking place throughout city parks and stated that an abundance of trout have been added to the west Pawnee Park lagoon. He pointed out that the city was offered a factory discount of \$34,000 for Frontier Park playground equipment allowing staff to purchase a much larger structure than anticipated.

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REPORT ON AQUATIC DEPARTMENT: Moore reported that staff is busy training lifeguards, providing swimming lessons, and preparing for the May 25 opening of Pawnee Plunge.

REPORT ON GOLF DEPARTMENT: Moore reported that all the ice has melted at Quail Run, cleanup continues by removing trees, logs, debris, and sand, all south side greens except two have been cleared and aerated, and that staff recently met with FEMA regarding proper documentation of all costs associated with cleanup and repairs for potential financial assistance.

Jochens left the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

Moore noted that staff has been draining the irrigation lake of contaminants and will begin irrigating the Quail Run greens once the water is determined safe.

Moved by Fleeman, seconded by Cutsor, the meeting be adjourned. All members present voted "Aye" and motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

: Linda Nickeson



The City of **Columbus**

PUBLIC PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

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May 2019

Monthly report

Park Department

- Completed installation of Locomotive sign and concrete
- Finished work with Agra-Lime at Gerrard Park fields
- Agra-Lime work on Bradshaw Park fields
- West Pawnee Park Lagoon stocked with trout
- Removing stumps of bushes around bell towers
- Working on concrete improvements at Pawnee Park baseball field
- Repair baseball field lights in Pawnee Park
- Frontier Park playground construction – Selected Burke playground equipment
- Donated swing set from Beam Swing – Columbus NE
- Footings and Plumbing rough-in complete at Frontier restrooms
- All restrooms have been turned on
- City Council approved agreement with JEO for splash pad at Glur Park
- Starting to turn on irrigation systems
- Completed spraying of herbicide throughout the Park System for weed control
- Have all summer workers hired and they have started employment
- New full time employee Rick Zywiec has resigned and taken a position CPS
- Interviewing for Mr. Zywiec's replacement
- Track painting has been completed

Aquatics report

- Valve replacement at Pawnee Plunge complete
- Filling of Pawnee Plunge was completed last week
- All staff has been hired at the Plunge and in-services are this week
- Repaired large leak on Speed slide
- Preparing for opening day at Plunge.

Golf report

- Continue flood cleanup – removing logs, debris, and sand
- Tree assessment and possible removal
- Receiving estimates from Landscapes Unlimited for repairs (Golf Course Construction Company)
- All seasonal staff has started
- Road repair along number 2 fairway at Quail Run
- North side of Quail looks good
- Irrigation system working on north side of Quail and on some areas south side
- We are able to maintain all greens on the south side
- Have had conference calls with FEMA- waiting for individual meeting with them
- Large increase in play at Van Berg-course is in excellent shape

Working on budgets in all departments

COLUMBUS AQUATIC CENTER
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT
APRIL

	2019	2018	2017
Attendance			
3 & Under	18	15	27
Child	384	306	330
Adult	161	249	139
Senior	3	3	1
Physical Therapy	0	1	0
Caregiver	0	0	17
Programs	0	0	212
Swim Lessons	108	151	224
AC Members	1358	1139	1285
Total Swimmers:	<u>2032</u>	<u>1864</u>	<u>2235</u>

Average Daily Swimmers: (27 Days) 82 (27 Days) 82

Income			
Passes	\$ 3,610.00	\$ 2,350.00	\$ 4,252.50
Admissions	\$ 2,429.00	\$ 1,862.00	\$ 1,799.00
Swimming Lessons	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Aquacise	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ 340.00
Red Cross Classes	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,760.00	\$ 2,040.00
Uniforms	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10.00
Programs	\$ 475.00	\$ -	\$ -
Sales	\$ 14.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 48.00
Building Rentals	\$ 220.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 60.00
Equipment Rentals	\$ 118.50	\$ 92.50	\$ 192.00
Misc. Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8.50
Over/Short	\$ 1.50	\$ 11.00	\$ 4.75
Total Receipts:	<u>\$ 8,868.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,315.50</u>	<u>\$ 8,754.75</u>

2019 APRIL Golf Report

ROUNDS	2019 QR	QR (2018)	2019 VB	2018 VB	2019 VB pass	2018 VB pass
Jan	0	0	53	0	0	0
Feb	0	0	10	0	13	0
March	0	604	114	49	141	11
April	984	2426	1020	251	549	211
May		3643		496		413
June		3484		789		501
July		3781		707		593
Aug		4063		761		611
Sept		1768		304		193
Oct		1262		41		111
Nov		372		41		68
Dec		31		34		39
TOTAL	984	21434	1197	3473	703	2751

5 year ave
\$470,041.56

Total Revenue Comparison to 2018
minus 47%

	By Comparison			* WEATHER DAYS	GOLF COURSE REVENUE					
	QR	VB	Total Rds		Total Rev	QR	VB	Passes/Punch		
2006	14,145	3,636	17,781	33	380,114.13	250,815.13	51,345.00	77,954.00	Jan-Dec 2006	
2007	13,856	3,921	17,777	37	374,656.70	247,502.95	52,484.75	74,669.00	Jan-Dec 2007	
2008	16,490	3,322	19,812	29	392,168.16	269,130.62	45,071.64	77,965.90	Jan - Dec 2008	
2009	24,044	5,805	29,849	30	440,517.65	296,032.27	54,070.01	90,415.37	Jan-Dec 2009	
2010	20,100	4,708	24,808	39	430,316.66	282,355.79	44,678.10	103,282.77	Jan-Dec-2010	
2011	17,231	4,255	21,486	51	403,737.50	256,447.20	44,311.40	102,978.90	Jan-Dec 2011	
2012	20,763	5,554	26,317	36	453,582.16	281,325.80	42,449.43	129,806.93	Jan-Dec 2012	
2013	17,780	6,833	24,613	32	435,869.17	242,846.89	58,229.51	134,792.77	Jan-Dec 2013	
2014	19,116	6,493	25,609	34	456,925.82	267,817.90	52,747.99	136,359.93	Jan-Dec 2014	
2015	21,206	7,014	28,220	47	466,655.67	267,674.40	58,490.34	140,490.93	Jan-Dec 2015	
2016	24,008	7,029	31,037	35 + 8	473,738.90	286,042.87	52,593.92	135,102.11	Jan-Dec 2016	
2017	21,905	6,230	28,135	43	478,110.61	275,744.95	54,269.26	148,096.40	Jan-DEC 2017	
2018	21,434	6,224	27,658	49	474,776.79	269,995.46	59,190.46	145,590.87	Jan-DEC 2018	
Jan-Apr 2018	2018	3,030	522	3,552	x	193,671.53	51,485.22	4,431.16	137,755.15	Jan-Apr 2018
Jan-Apr 2019	2019	984	1,900	2,884	x	102,962.03	12,043.71	20,002.47	70,915.85	Jan-Apr 2019

FootGolf 2017	
Players	Rentals
185	57
\$1,829.20	
FootGolf 2018	
Players	Rentals
13/300	7/217
\$141.15 / \$3412.60	
FootGolf 2019	
Players	Rentals
9/37	7/10
103.75 / 248.68	

* Weather affected days are recorded from April 1 thru September *

Outings	2006	2009	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
20-39	16	21	16	17	15	16	19	20	24	27
40-59	3	3	8	5	6	8	9	8	7	8
60-79	2	8	9	11	14	12	13	14	14	14
80-99	1	2	2	5	4	5	5	4	3	4
100+	2	4	3	5	2	3	3	3	3	2
200+	0	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2
	24	39	39	44	42	45	51	50	52	57