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**Cabot Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting**

February 20, 2018

Cabot Veterans Park Events Center

508 North Lincoln, Cabot, Arkansas 72023

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Ken Kincade called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Present: Ken Kincade, Maggie Cope, Nick Whitaker, Matt Moudy, John C. Thompson, Eric Park, Mike Burchfield

II. Minutes of Regular Meeting

The minutes from the regular meeting held January 16, 2018 were presented **JOHN C. THOMPSON MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 16, 2018 AS PRESENTED, SECOND BY ERIC PARK, ALL VOTED AYE.**

III. Financials

January 2018 financials were discussed. **JOHN C. THOMPSON MOTIONED TO ACCEPT FINANCIALS AS PRESENTED, SECOND BY NICK WHITAKER. ALL VOTED AYE.** \$14000.00 in expenses will be taken out next month for the Pool Pak and computer software.

IV. Programs

The youth basketball program will be ending tonight as well as the Spring sports registration for youth, except for volleyball and tennis. The numbers to date for baseball are 520, 370 for soccer, and 120 for softball.

Flag Football is currently holding Spring registration with 150 currently enrolled.

A BMX track representative reported that the track is bad condition and the association is currently operating without a board. The gentleman stated that he is ready to fix the track and will need about \$15,000.00 to rebuild. Soil tack has not been used. Nick Whitaker asked Ken Kincade to get with Travis Young and Lorenzo Mendoza and take care of this issue immediately. Travis Young stated that, on paper, they show that they currently have a board and this is the first we are hearing about the problem. Eric Parks states that Parks and Rec. has dumped more money into this program per child than any other program. Maggie Cope stated that the commission would like to see a board by March 20<sup>th</sup> of this year. Travis Young will contact the board. Nick Whitaker said that he looked on their Facebook page hours ago and it stated to be in great condition. The commission questioned about relying on volunteers to maintain the complex when the parks has a full maintenance crew that should maintain the park. Travis stated that he would need to hire more full time staff, as the current staff is maxed out at the level we are maintaining.

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V. Old Business

Project list includes dredging the pond and constructing a rock dam up stream to catch the silt. There is a large list with a price tag of 1.2M to get our facilities up to date. This can be accomplice if we can obtain grant money.

There was a discrepancy pertaining to the dirt work for the Richie Road Flag Football project. The department will rebid the contract on March 4<sup>th</sup> of this year. Everything on the property has been demolished, except the lights.

The inclusive playground equipment has been ordered. Travis Young will look into getting quotes for new material to resurface the walking track on Richie Road.

VI. New Business

Staff requested that the times of rental for 501c3 groups to rent the Event Center be adjusted.

**JOHN C. THOMPSON MOTIONED TO CHANGE THE TIME FOR 501c3 GROUPS ONLY FROM 8:00AM-8:00PM TO 8:00AM – 9:00PM, SECOND BY MATT MOUDY, ALL VOTED AYE.**

Travis Young would like to purchase tablets for \$100.00 each for the commission to receive and store the monthly packets electronically.

VII. Community Input

An all event pavilion, which was to be built on South Second Street in a lot that the City purchased from Renew Church, that would host the Farmers Market and other events has been dropped from the City’s plan due to funding. Matt Webber, with Cabot City Beautiful, presented plans drawn up by Clements & Associates for the pavilion and asked if the park department would assist in continuing to make the pavilion a reality. The commission stated that they entertain the idea and stay in contact with the group.

IV. Adjournment

ADJOURN AT 7:21pm

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Chairman, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission February 20, 2018.

Ken Kincade, Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman

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