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Cabot Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

May 15, 2018

Cabot Veterans Park Events Center
508 North Lincoln, Cabot, Arkansas 72023

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

John C. Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Present: John C. Thompson, Eric Park, Mike Burchfield, Maggie Cope

Guests: Greg Crumpton

II. Minutes of Regular Meeting

The minutes from the regular meeting held April 17, 2018 were presented. **JOHN C. THOMPSON MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF March 20, 2018 AS PRESENTED, SECOND BY ERIC PARK. ALL VOTED AYE.**

III. Financials

April 2018 financials were discussed. Expenditures associated with scorekeepers were discussed. Shale proceeds saw a \$7600 profit. Membership numbers at the Community Center continue to increase. Concessions hit above budget. Aquatic Park start up expenditures and status were discussed. Parks and Recreation Director Travis Young indicated that previous issues related to construction at Aquatic Park have been addressed and testing on the facility lines has been completed.

IV. Programs

Lorenzo presented for programs. Adult volleyball and flag football registrations are taking place. The youth sports: volleyball, baseball, softball, and soccer will end in the next two weeks. Flag football was not in attendance. BMX presented. Races scheduled for upcoming weekend. Renovations are almost complete. Commission inquired about soil tact installation status. BMX indicated that it has not been put down due to inclement weather, but would probably occur in the month of July. Tackle football will have a meeting for vendors on May 16, 2018.

V. Old Business

No business to discuss.

VI. New Business

Group from Cabot Community Theatre will be here next month. Parks Director Travis Young inquired about employee incentives and requested for the commission to consider granting permission to start the process. Commission attorney assessed legality issues and suggested that Parks Director Travis Young further research the logistics and structure of the topic.

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Commission questioned the fairness of the process and employee equality. No objections were made regarding the start of the research process.

Curtis Rudd and Travis Hudson presented for football. By laws started in February and closed at first of April. Meetings with football commission occur every week. Parks Commission and Parks Director questioned the football spokespeople and amendments regarding rules associated with "locked players." Commission requested further clarification on changes made by Football association related to player age and insurance. 4 year olds are eligible to play in league with insurance, if turning age 5 by 10/31. Commission requested clarification on "Mercy Rule." Curtis/ Travis spoke on behalf of football indicating that "if a complaint comes in that the score is run up, we will go to the coach first and then the referee of that game" to inquire and reprimand if necessary. Commission requests the amendment to be put into writing. Parks director Travis Young suggests that new Mercy Rule include a set point value to eliminate future conflict. Commission voiced concerns regarding returning players. Once the constitutional rule of 4 locks and 3 returning players has passed, the rule will continue each year. Commission questioned the rule, citing unfair advantages in "stacking" teams. No special requests were written for a revote on locked players. Curtis Rudd concluded that parents will "sign off on locks that coaches turn in." Commission requested that the spokespeople for the football association reconvene with their board and return to Parks Director Travis Young at a later date with amendments to rules, locks, and returning player's language.

VII. Community Input

Questions/ concerns pertaining to the Cabot Dog Park were addressed. Parks Director Travis Young shared updates on art projects conducted by CHS students for Parks and Recreation.

IV. Adjournment

ADJOURNED AT 7:17 pm.

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 May 15, 2018.

John C Thompson, Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman

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