Bryant Parks Committee Meeting
March 12, 2024 - 6:00 PM
Bishop Park Administration Building
6401 Boone Rd. Bryant, Arkansas

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Call to Order - Richard McKeown at 6:00 PM

Committee Members Present - Cody Crist, Amanda Jolly, Drew Martin, Richard McKeown and Jason Whittington

Committee Members Absent - Renee Curtis, Lynn Farmer

Others Present - Parks Director and Mayor-Elect Chris Treat, Parks Assistant Director Keith Cox, Systems Administrator Brandon Fontenot, Parks Aquatics Superintendent Kristin Robinson and Council Member Jack Moseley

McKeown congratulates Chris Treat for being elected as the next Mayor of Bryant and recognizes all candidates for the courage that it takes to run for public office.

Approval of Minutes - February 13 Parks Committee Meeting

Motion to approve by Martin, seconded by Crist. Motion carried.

Associations/Club Reports

Director's Report

Treat shows his appreciation to the Parks Committee for everything that he and the Parks Department has accomplished during his time as Parks Director, he credits everyone for allowing him the "credibility" to run and ultimately being elected Mayor. He talks briefly about his vision for the city and his excitement for the future of the Department with the staff that is currently in place under the impending Master Plan.

Treat and Cox ask for a small group to help look over the Master Plan rough draft to assist with any necessary edits before the Committee/Council workshop. Multiple committee members offer to look it over and assist with edits. The workshop will be in lieu of the regularly scheduled Parks Committee meeting on April 9.

Public Comments

Old Business

New Business

Cox introduces Aquatics Superintendent Kristin Robinson to discuss the need to resurface Mills Pool. Robinson explains how the surface breaks down over time and the safety concerns associated with that. A request was made to contract BlueWater Pools to make these repairs. Crist also requested the Department to investigate a cover for Mills Pool to protect the investment.

Motion to request Council to approve funding to resurface and invest in a cover for Mills Park Pool by Crist, seconded by Jolly. Motion passed.

Committee Comments

Crist speaks on the Youth Basketball League after another highly successful season. He gives thanks to Center Superintendent Ebonee Scott for directing the league, as well as, administrators and teachers for Bryant School District for opening their gyms in order to keep the league sustainable.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Jolly, seconded by Whittington. Motion carried.