

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**  
The Lodge Des Peres, Activity Room  
August 4, 2016  
6:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioner Duff Hufford called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**WARD I** — Margaret Amend, Duff Hufford, Julie Foshage

**WARD II** — Andrew Theising and Mary Duggan

**WARD III** — Bill Reeves and Marie Ganninger

Director of Parks & Recreation – Brian Schaffer

Alderman - Jim Kleinschmidt

**EXCUSED:** Rob O'Blennis

**AMENDMENT OF AGENDA**

None

**PETITIONS & COMMENTS**

Julie Foshage, our new Ward I Commissioner was welcomed to the Commission.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Reeves motioned to approve the June 2016 minutes.  
Commissioner Theising seconded the motion. Those present voted as follows: Commissioners Hufford, aye; Amend, aye; Foshage, aye; Duggan, aye; Ganninger, aye. Motion approved.

**ALDERMANIC REPORT**

- Alderman Kleinschmidt announced that a new Assistant Administrator has been chosen. His name is Scott Schaefer and he starts on August 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Alderman Kleinschmidt reported a bill that was announced for a master site plan for the Village Bar. The renovations would include extending the dining room in to the former wig shop, a patio and to convert the barn in to a private event space. There will be a public hearing on August 22, 2016.
- Alderman Kleinschmidt reported that Circa St. Louis will be taking the space previously occupied by Zydeco Blues.
- Alderman Kleinschmidt reported that there is no information available yet on an opening for Rosalita's.
- Alderman Kleinschmidt mentioned that there have been many car break-ins and they are almost always exclusive to those leaving their cars unlocked.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Schaffer provided a handout of the Parks and Recreation Department activities for June and July 2016. Director Schaffer highlighted the main activities from the handout such as an update on the new Max Galaxy software, past and upcoming events, repairs and purchases at the Lodge and for the Parks, an update on outdoor pool attendance and updates on the park monuments.

Director Schaffer announced that the SilverSneakers® program started at The Lodge on August 1, 2016. SilverSneakers® is the nation's leading exercise program designed exclusively for Medicare-eligible adults. Eligible seniors can access amenities at The Lodge Des Peres such as the fitness center, swimming pool, gymnasium, sauna, and steam room at no charge. The Lodge Des Peres will be reimbursed for the days they swipe their card for entry (\$2.50/visit, up to \$20/month). So far 35 participants have signed up.

Director Schaffer reported that a Full-Time Park & Recreation Staff Wage & Classification Review will be done. In addition to reviewing our compensation package, the consultant will be reviewing positions to make sure that we are in compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act. A questionnaire was sent to the full-time staff based on positions.

Director Schaffer reported there was a near drowning on June 25<sup>th</sup> in the outdoor lower leisure pool. A three-year old male was swimming without supervision and started having difficulties. The Head Guard rescued the boy, but he went into cardiac arrest. The boy was transported by Des Peres Public Safety to the hospital where he recovered.

Director Schaffer announced that MPIR was recognized at the Municipal League banquet for their collaborative effort over the past 24 years. Congratulations to Terri Johnson and the Municipal Partners for Inclusive Recreation!

### **OLD BUSINESS**

a) Presentation of Des Peres Park & Sunrise Park Master Plan (Planning Design Studio).

Planning Design Studio presented the proposed Master Plan for Des Peres Park and Sunrise Park. This would be a 10-15 year plan. The Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously to accept the overall concept of the Master Plan for Des Peres Park, but did not approve the Sunrise Park Master Plan due to the cost.

Commissioner Amend motioned to accept the proposed Master Plan for Des Peres Park. Commissioner Theising seconded the motion. Those present voted as follows: Commissioners Hufford, aye; Foshage, aye; Duggan, aye; Reeves, aye; Ganninger, aye. Motion approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Nomination of Officers for 2016-2017
  - I. President
  - II. Vice President

Director Schaffer asked that nominations be made and a vote will be taken at the September 2016 meeting.

### **UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS**

Director Schaffer announced the upcoming special events:

- a) Indoor Pool Maintenance/Fitness Center Equipment Delivery – August 8-14, 2016
- b) Summer Concert Series – Friday, August 12, 2016, 7 pm, Des Peres Park
- c) Back to School Hours at the Outdoor Pool – Aug 15-Sep 5, Open Sat & Sun Only
- d) Park & Recreation Commission Meeting – September 1, 2016, 6 pm, The Lodge

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Duggan motioned to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Commissioner Reeves seconded the motion. Those present voted as follows:  
Commissioners Hufford, aye; Amend, aye; Foshage, aye; Theising, aye;  
Ganninger, aye. Motion approved.