



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes ♦ November 8, 2012

Present: Sean Cronin, Jack Doyel, Neil Spooner, Deborah Manderscheid, Twyla Dennis, Katie Davis, Gene Alvine, Hugh McKean (City Council Liaison)

Staff: Marilyn Hilgenberg, Keven Aggers, Larry Callihan, Janet Meisel-Burns, Carol Wallace

Absent: Leighton Millar

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

Minutes: Minutes of the October 11, 2012 meeting were approved as written.

Council Liaison Report: Brinkman \$11 million dollar 4-story work/live building will be constructed across from the Lincoln Center downtown.

Mehaffey Park

Staff held an open house with skaters to get more input on the skate park design for Mehaffey Park. The open house was very successful and staff received valuable information. The skaters requested deeper bowl areas for beginners and lights at the skate park for extend use. There will be several free standing picnic tables & benches in several locations throughout the park. An updated project schedule was handed out to the Commission members along with a skate park concept.

3rd Quarter Financials for the Parks & Recreation Department

The Parks & Recreation Department on a whole is doing very well in the third quarter. The Recreation Center cost recovery is 106%, which is above past years. There has been an increase in usage since the Chilson remodel.

Community Survey Results

Information, as it pertains to the Parks & Recreation Department, was handed out to Commission members. This annual survey of Loveland citizens shows that the facilities and parks are well appreciated.

Commission Members Discussion

Discussion was held about the replacement Xcel gas line from southwest 14th on Wilson up to 57th. The line will then jog over to Taft. The City of Loveland is taking a neutral position on mitigation from Xcel. Their gas line will primarily be on easement property and not impact Loveland's Recreation Trail.

A Commission member brought up a concern about the safety of the bike trail on the south side of Wilson Avenue, just south of Eisenhower Blvd. This section of missing sidewalk is scheduled for construction by year-end.

Staff will bring information for review concerning the Chilson low-income and scholarship program to the Commission members in early 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm
/s Gene Alvine, Chair