



**Parks, Recreation & Arts Community Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
November 19th, 2016**

Attendees:

Ward I - Gary Stein, Laura Schellenberg, Kimberly Cameron, Mary Monachella

Ward II - John Gruender, Cindy Lau,

Ward III - Darcy Capstick, Tricia Whelan, Mike Whelan, Alan Politte

Ward IV - Don Collins, Bill Dowdy

Visitor - David Kaplan

Council Liaison - Tom DiCampi

Parks Director – Tom McCarthy

1. **Approval of Minutes** - approved by Bill, second by Darcy
2. **Election of new Chair** - Mike Whelan was nominated, second. Unanimous vote. He is new Chair
3. **Election of new Vice-Chair** - Gary Stein, self nominated, unanimous vote. Gary is new vice-chair
4. **Arts Sculpture Contest Update**
Staff sent out request for proposal. 15 proposals received, committee reviewed and has selected 5. Each selected artist will each present at City Hall on December 6th at 6pm.

Ward I - Mary (Kimberly is backup)

Ward II - John Gruender.

Ward III - Tricia (Darcy is backup)

Ward IV - Alan Keathley

Tom mentioned how the art will be determined, sustainability, safety, etc.

5. Farmers Market Committee

Guy gave us great links to begin our research to understand the things that make Farmers Markets successful and sustainable. Committee will meet after this meeting.

Here are the proposed purposes for having a Farmers Market (rank from 1 - 5)

- Community Building--increasing neighbor connection, a community identity, making Chesterfield a nice place to live
- Attracting new foods and sources of food (other than grocery stores)
- Attracting people to Chesterfield
- Opportunity for local artisans and local crafters to show and sell products
- Opportunity for local performers to perform (musicians, poets, dancers, choirs, actors)

6. Parks Master Plan Sub Committee

\$9M budget each year, Council asked for Parks Department to review if they are able to trim a bit. \$200K identified

(put into savings to build reserves for future need, such as a pool, as an example)

Members of this Sub Committee: John N., Kimberly, Tricia, Mary, Cindy and Laura

7. Possible other committees

No ideas offered

8. Parks, Recreation & Arts Update

Tom M. Update

Pedal announced they raised \$3.3M

They rent the space in Chesterfield

Winter projects are underway

Public Works in the parks

Adding concrete in C Quad

Repairing limestone in amphitheater

Planting trees at CVAC, Central Park, Eberwein Park

Mulching

Waiting on restroom for River's Edge

CAPRA Certification in 2017

Wildlife Habitat (signs going up at Amphitheater)

Tentative dates for 2017 meetings are:

- January 21st
- February 11th
- March 11th
- April 8th
- May 13th
- June 10th
- July 8th
- August 12th
- September 9th
- October 14th
- November 18th
- December 9th

9. Other updates

Tom D. shared some updates from Council

The Gamma property along Wildhorse. 12 acres, in a flood plain, creek in the middle of it. A 3 acre adjoining lot (under contract). If the contract falls through, the full 15 acres may be more plausible...allowing for parking. Priced well

The Doorack property off Baxter (2 acres). \$1M asking price, 2 years left on the lease

- could be a location for Farmers Market
- It will be appraised, a long term discussion (not sure if it will continue)

The Dome - Property east of Park's office

- City put a contract on 20 acres (golf range, 4 acres, is holding out. Wants 5X value). Owned by Nasrallah
- 50 year lease (little money goes to City until around year 15)
- 5 synthetic baseball fields
- Multi-purpose fields, convention, hotel, retail, restaurants
- Tax benefits from lease, utilities, etc go into Parks Department
- National tournaments coming in, revenue

Alan – Red-headed woodpeckers, anything we can do about them?

Darcy - Recycling event was bigger than ever, breaking previous year's records

National Appreciation Award

10. Adjourn at 9:22am. We will not be meeting in December

Next meeting: January 21st