

LEAWOOD METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

Meeting minutes of September 11, 2024

The Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Board meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by President Kyle Sargent. Members present: Judy Anderson/Vice President/Treasurer, and Maggie Tocco. Other District: Debby Baker/Secretary and Dave Padilla/Park Manager. Visitors: Leawood residents Carrie Dupree, and Dutch Creek resident Craig Peterson.

Approval of Agenda – The proposed agenda was approved without objection.

Approval of Minutes – Will be voted on at the September meeting.

Public Comments – None

Treasurer's Report – Judy presented the Treasurer's Report. Bills to be paid this month include Xcel Energy, Weston, Doggie Bags, Waste Management, Honey Bucket, Denver Water, Keeperly LLC (accounting contractor), USPS (annual box rental), Leawood Civic Association (Rapporter and dumpster for Clean-up,), Dave's invoice, and reimbursement to petty cash. Weston, Honey Bucket, Denver Water, Dave and petty cash were paid by check. All others listed above will be paid electronically. Maggie moved that the Treasurer's Report be received, and bills paid. Judy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Parks Manager Report – All parks were mowed, inspected, doggie bags checked and replenished as needed. In October, the sprinkler systems in all parks will be drained and prepared for winter.

- (A) Leawood Park – The park and pavilion were prepared for the LCA picnic. Clean-up was done in the east end of the park. At the pavilion, the stucco was repaired and painted, the planter area was cleaned, and more mulch was added. The main water line was cut by American West Construction, the contractor installing a new traffic tower on Pierce. Dave presented the contractor with an invoice detailing the cost for the repair and water loss. The big evergreen tree that fell in the storm will be replaced as weather permits.
- (B) Weaver Park – The clock for the sprinklers was adjusted to dispense the correct amount of water. The tree removed from the playground area will be replaced as weather permits. The trees along the parkway and the tennis courts need to be trimmed. Judy moved to go ahead and have the trees trimmed as needed. Maggie seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- (C) Raccoon Hollar – Weston submitted a bid for the safety tree trimming. Judy moved that the bid from Weston be accepted. Maggie seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Safety trimming will be done as weather permits.
- (D) T Track – Putting in the new tree is on hold for now. One of the residents does not want to have a tree there.
- (E) Kendall Park – The bid for safety trimming of Raccoon Hollar includes removal of the down trees in Kendall.

Old Business – (A) **Board Appointments:** (1) The Board voted unanimously to appoint Carrie Dupree to one of the two open Board positions. Carrie was sworn in and will serve until the next election in May of 2025 when she may run for a new term. Welcome Carrie! (2) The Board voted on the appointment of an additional member, the vote failed two for and two against.

- (B) **Columbine HS Leawood Park field lease:** The Columbine High School girls' soccer team is looking to use the field in Leawood Park. Discussions are continuing.

New Business – (A) Discuss summer special meeting schedule: The walk through for Weaver Park, T-Track and Kendall park is rescheduled for Wednesday September 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., Park Board members will meet at the volleyball bridge.

(C) Review By-Laws: Postponed due to time constraints.

Future Board Meetings: The next Board meeting will be **Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 6:00 p.m.** at Leawood Park Pavilion.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Debby Baker
Secretary

Future Meetings:

Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 6:00 p.m., at Leawood Elementary.

Wednesday, November 13, 2024, 6:00 p.m., at Leawood Elementary.

Wednesday, December 11, 2024, 6:00 p.m., at Leawood Elementary.