



PARKS, RECREATION & ARTS COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING RESULTS

January 23, 2019

Chairperson Hurt called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Those in attendance included:

Councilmember Barbara McGuinness, Ward 1;

Councilmember Mary Ann Mastorakos, Ward 2;

Council Member Chairperson Dan Hurt, Ward 3;

Councilmember Michelle Ohley, Ward 4 (arrived 3 minutes late due to another meeting in City Hall).

Also in attendance were:

Director of Parks, Recreation & Arts, Tom McCarthy;

Executive Assistant, Parks, Recreation & Arts, Ann-Marie Stagoski.

Agenda Item #1: Approval of Minutes

The meeting results of the September 24, 2018 Parks, Recreation & Arts Committee of Council Meeting were submitted for approval. Councilmember McGuinness made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mastorakos, to approve the September 24, 2018 meeting results. A voice vote was taken to approve the meeting results with a 3-0 unanimous affirmative result (Hurt, Mastorakos and McGuinness) and the motion was declared passed.

Agenda Item #2: Darcy Capstick Emeritus Status

Councilmember Hurt moved to grant Ms. Capstick emeritus status for Parks Recreation & Arts Advisory Committee membership. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mastorakos. A voice vote was taken and a 3-0 unanimous affirmative result (Hurt, Mastorakos and McGuinness) to approve the motion and move it to City Council was declared passed.

Agenda Item #3: Central Park Lighting Discussion

Director McCarthy shared information he obtained on lighting options for Central Park. To just light the walk around the lake with poles every 80 feet that are solar and have a long term battery back-up would cost approximately \$320,000. That would not include the Awakening, Veterans Place Drive, the playground, pool parking lot or trails to the lake. There is currently ambient lighting for the Amphitheater areas. It was discussed whether we should light up the park when it is closed for the hours that lighting is necessary. Director McCarthy will look into Ameren Grant options. Councilmember Ohley asked how soon we could retrofit the lighting on Veterans Place Dr. Director McCarthy will follow up with additional lighting information on increased lumens for Veterans Place Drive, current lighting of the pool and other lighting in Central Park. Councilmember McGuinness asked about the status of the new pavilion and Director McCarthy stated that it is going out to bid now. There was also discussion on changing park hours of operation, starting a Ranger Program and the pavilion rental times would need to be revisited, if we move forward with lighting the park.

Agenda Item #4: Potential Field Fee Adjustments

Director McCarthy stated that there were a large number of price points for field rentals at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex and suggested price changes. These changes would not affect larger organizations rentals and there is no anticipation that revenue would be affected. Councilmember McGuinness moved to accept the new price structures and Councilmember Ohley seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and a 4-0 unanimous affirmative result to approve the motion was declared passed.

Agenda Item #5: Chesterfield Family Aquatic Center Time and Price Adjustments

Director McCarthy discussed the recommendation of Superintendent Johnson to close the Aquatic Center 30 minutes earlier than previous years. This time change would allow swim lessons and water walkers to start earlier. Councilmember McGuinness moved to approve the time change for the Aquatic Center and Councilmember Hurt seconded the motion. Director McCarthy discussed that Lazy River walkers are in the mornings and evenings at times when the pool is not open for swim to allow the participants to walk freely without inner tubes in the river. Councilmember Mastorakos expressed concerns over lack of lap lanes and Director McCarthy stated that they could look into promoting lap swim in the evening as well. Councilmember Ohley asked for clarification on hours of operation and Director McCarthy stated that opening times would remain the same and the aquatic center would close at 7:00 p.m. Monday - Sunday. Fee change after 5:00 p.m. will go from half price to \$2 discount across the board for entrance fees. Parents of younger children shy away from the later lessons so being able to start swim lessons 30 minutes earlier could help enrollment. A voice vote was taken and a 4-0 unanimous affirmative result to approve the motion was declared passed.

Agenda Item #6: Old Business

Councilmember Hurt asked for an executive session.

Agenda Item #7: New Business

Councilmember Hurt discussed suggestions of naming the pavilion after citizens in Chesterfield with significant contributions to the Parks. Councilmember McGuinness discussed the option of selling naming rights for the pavilion and other structures. Director McCarthy stated he was working on a naming rights proposal.

Agenda Item #8: Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Hurt adjourned the meeting at 5:21 p.m.