

Parks and Rec Commission
Meeting Minutes July 8, 2011
Williams Council Chamber

Roll Call:

Present: Commissioner Glassburn, Commissioner Redfeather, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Patricca, Commissioner Winbourn, Commissioner Rodriguez, Director Newbold

Absent: Commissioner D'Arpa

Guests: Councilman Wurgler

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Glassburn at 10:00am

Agenda: Motion was made by Commissioner Williams to accept the agenda. It was seconded by Commissioner Redfeather and unanimously approved.

Minutes: Motion was made by Commissioner Patricca to accept the minutes from the June 3, 2011 meeting. It was seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez and unanimously approved.

Signs at Buckskinner Park:

Rose is awaiting a second quote on the Buckskinner Park signs before they can be ordered. Joe Duffy requested a second quote be obtained. The 5th sign at Santa Fe Dam is not installed because the location was too rocky. As time allows the options will be discussed and an alternate placement will be decided upon by Glenn Cornwell and Horacio Ortiz, taking into consideration the initial preferred placement. The sign plan proposed by this commission and adopted by council allows signs to be purchased as funds become available.

Rodeo Grounds:

Rose explained that the 2nd mesh cover purchased for the east bleachers was sized incorrectly and discovered when Gene Owens and his crew began installation. The company was contacted immediately at which time they discovered their paperwork error and accepted responsibility without question. They had the cover picked up and will have it corrected and returned to us as soon as possible. The first National Barrel Horse Association race held here on June 25th & 26th was a great success. They have four events booked this year and are looking forward to growing their events with each passing year.

Monument Park:

Commissioner Glassburn turned the plan into Joe Duffy for review and estimated the changes would cost approximately \$10,000.00. Joe will look into where the funds might be available. Commissioner Williams stressed the safety issue that currently exists. Commissioner Winbourn looked at the trees again and reiterated that they were in a state of declining health. Commissioner Glassburn is looking for a horticulturist for a second opinion on the trees to get an opinion from outside of the community. Everyone agreed that this would be a reinforcement of Commissioner Winbourn's findings. Commissioner Patricca restated the importance of obtaining an opinion from someone outside of Williams.

Skate Park:

Director Newbold has not heard from Commissioner D'Arpa in the past month. She feels strongly that this is due to his schedule being as busy as hers. An update should be available at next months meeting.

Master Plan for Recreation Center:

Quotes have been obtained and money is the only issue holding up this job.

Cataract Park long term planning:

Commissioner Glassburn attended the County Parks & Rec meeting last night. The county continues to be a driving force behind getting this plan drawn up, the necessary public input and still hoping for possibly beginning construction in the spring of 2012. There appears to be 1.5 million dollars that might be available for this project and the County Parks & Rec department is trying to get this project to a point where these funds can be dedicated. The Forest Service side of Cataract Lake is going to have several additional issues in trying to join the County and the City with an overall Cataract Lake improvement. Next meeting is set for August 17th @ 10am in Williams Council Chambers. The September meeting will hopefully be a joint meeting with the County Parks & Rec Commission and the City Parks & Rec Commission and be the first public meeting to present a basic plan for the proposed improvements.

Sportsman's Club:

Commissioner Redfeather reported that the Cowboy Shoot over the 4th of July was a tremendous success. The club is still in the process of finding materials that will work to build the shade structures. Sheldon White has joined the club as a board member and is looking forward to having much of the work done by students in his shop classes.

Director Newbold's report: (on file)

Councilman Wurgler questioned the "disappearance" of the pool contractor. Director Newbold explained that the job was done, final aesthetics were all that needed to be completed. Payment awaits a final meeting with Manny at 1Source. She feels that Manny has not contacted her because he is very busy at this time.

Old Business:

Commissioner Winbourn thanked Director Newbold for the planter pots she donated from the pool. Director Newbold thanked Commissioner Winbourn for using them to beautify the city.

New Business:

Commissioner Glassburn stated that Clean & Beautiful has gotten the County Juvenile probation youth, once per week, to help with city wide clean up projects. The County Teen Works will be coming soon also. Director Newbold reported that the Mayors Youth Advisory Council will be coming to the commission with a plan for community service soon. Councilman Wurgler advised the commission that some "big wigs" from Little League in PA will be in town tomorrow to discuss fields for tournaments.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:10am. The next meeting was set for August 5th at CITY HALL.

