

**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**  
**MOTION SUMMARY**  
**February 16, 2016**

ITEM 1. Roll Call

Chairwoman Lash called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Joshua Bricker, Julie German, Dianna Hibinger, Matt Polites, Lucas Ratliff, Celeste Smith, Councilmember Kyle Rohrer, and Chairwoman Allyson Lash

Members Absent: Cassie Cunningham and Nicole LaMar

City Staff Present: Linda Mathews, Customer Service City Liaison, Stacy Davenport, Parks Superintendent

YMCA Staff Present: Roger Hanafin, Youth, Teen, and Family Program Director

**Motion to Excuse:** Councilmember Rohrer moved to excuse Ms. LaMar and Ms. Cunningham, seconded by Ms. Hibinger. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary for the meeting held November 17, 2015 as recorded and transcribed.

**Motion:** Mr. Polites moved to approve the Motion Summary for the meeting held November 17, 2015 as recorded and transcribed, seconded by Ms. Hibinger. Motion approved by a 7-0-1 (Rohrer) vote.

ITEM 3. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary for the meeting held January 19, 2016 as recorded and transcribed.

**Motion:** Mr. Polites moved to approve the Motion Summary for the meeting held November 17, 2015 as recorded and transcribed, seconded by Ms. Hibinger. Motion approved by a 7-0-1 (Smith) vote.

ITEM 4. INTRODUCTION of New City Council Representative

ITEM 5. ELECTION of Chair and Vice-Chair

**Motion:** Mr. Bricker moved to nominate Ms. Lash as Chairwoman, seconded by Ms. German. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

**Motion:** Mr. Polites moved to nominate Ms. Hibinger as Vice-Chairwoman, seconded by Councilmember Rohrer. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

ITEM 7. UPDATE of YMCA Recreation Services

Mr. Hanafin reviewed the youth programs and provided information on the Healthy Weight and your Child program.

Mr. Hanafin provided information on the different youth and adults sports program.

Mr. Hanafin provided an update on the Diabetes Prevention Program and the new fitness program for individuals with Parkinson's disease.

Mr. Hanafin discussed upcoming special events including the Daddy Daughter Dance and the Mother Son Super Hero Party. The Board was made aware that the registrations have exceeded last year attendance.

Mr. Hanafin provided information on the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt.

A discussion was held on the need for volunteers for special events.

ITEM 8. DISCUSSION of Board Sub-Committees

Chairwoman Lash discussed the plan to divide the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board into two sub-committees to focus on recreation and special events and also parks. The Board was in agreement to have city staff look at the ramifications of creating two sub-committees and to work with City Council on the proposed changes to the board. Chairwoman Lash discussed looking at assigning members to the sub-committee in March.

ITEM 9. UPDATE of Park Activities

Mr. Davenport discussed the furnishings for Veterans Spray and Play. The Board made aware that plans to open on Memorial Day are still expected. A discussion was held on the rental of the shelter facilities at Veterans Park and compared the option of all day rentals or half day rentals. Mr. Davenport recommended for all day rentals due to staff hours needed to clean up the area between events.

Mr. Davenport updated the Board on the parks meeting held with the different organizations that use the fields for games and practices.

ITEM 10. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Davenport provided information on the Ms. Hibinger's request regarding a wheelchair accessible swing and the manufacturing recommendations that the

swing should only be operable in a supervised environment.

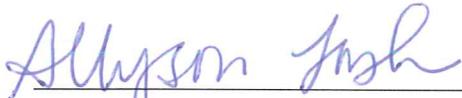
Ms. Mathews discussed upcoming ribbon cutting events that are planned for May.

ITEM 11. MEMBERS COMMENTS

Mr. Bricker discussed information regarding dog park policies for clean up in Indiana, which included membership fees and DNA testing of dog waste.

ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion:** Mr. Bricker moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation meeting, seconded by Chairwoman Lash. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.



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Allyson Lash, Chairwoman



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Elaine McCloskey, Clerk