

**Minutes of a Regular Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting
September 12, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Blue Springs Parks Commission was held on Tuesday, September 12, 2022, at the Fieldhouse. The Chairman called the meeting to order.

Jon Burke – Present	Parks Dept. Staff:	Dennis Dovel
Keith Hannaman – Present	Parks Dept. Staff:	Derek Mayden
Gabriel Mejia – Present	Parks Dept. Staff:	Mary Herrington
Ken Horrell – Present	Parks Dept. Staff:	Kelly Finke
Nick Brummel – Absent	City Council Liaison:	Susan Culpepper –Absent
Tony Lopez – Present		
Almitra Buzan – Present		
Debbie Canfield – Present		

A motion was made by Jon Burke and seconded by Tony Lopez to accept the Consent Agenda. It passed unanimously.

Visitors/Correspondence: None

Program/Activity Spotlight: Kelly presented on Summer Day Camp 2022. This year we had a record number of campers totally 1,430 over 12 weeks. This is an increase of 294 campers from 2021. Additionally, we brought in the most revenue camp has ever seen for this program with \$228,727 and a total profit of \$119,811.50. Throughout the 12 weeks, campers went on weekly field trips, went swimming, took part in activities at the Fieldhouse welcomed guest speakers and more. Campers were split into 6 different group and a 10-1 camper to staff ratio was followed throughout camp. Staff were pleased with the summer and look forward to the program continuing to grow.

Finances: None.

Staff Reports: Staff reviewed their reports.

Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman’s Report: Keith informed the commission that attended the reception for the Citizen of the Year by the Truman Heart Foundation. Guests at the reception were very positive about the great changes that have been happening throughout Blue Springs parks and are excited for the unveiling of the aquatics center.

City Council Liaison Report: None

Old Business: Dennis presented an update on Park Sales Tax. The Last project to be completed for this budget year is the paving at Pink Hill Park which started this week. The trail on Duncan road from Grounds Park to Faurceia was recently completed and is a great addition to the rest of the trail at Lake Remembrance. Rest Rooms are slated to be completed next year. They are currently in production.

Dennis presented a fly thru video of the aquatics center. He stated that have finally agreed upon a GMP of \$39 million. Even with this increase from the original budget, we are still able to fund and complete all other projects that were promised to the voters, including Southwest Park. Some changes were made to the materials that will be used from the original design to help save money.

The name, and logo, will be revealed at the groundbreaking, scheduled for Thursday, November 3rd at 5pm.

New Business: None

Miscellaneous: None

As there was no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Ken Horrell and seconded by Jon Burke.