

City of Choctaw
Regular Public Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
August 9, 2022 @ 7:00pm
Choctaw City Hall, 2500 N Choctaw Road
Choctaw, Oklahoma 73020

MINUTES

1. Call to Order by Chair @ 7:03 p.m.
2. Roll Call:
 - 4 Present: Kathy Smith; Nathaniel Porter; Jim Buys; Andrew Cataldo
 - 1 Absent: Kevin Brown

Staff: Stuart Drake/Parks & Recreation Director
Daphne Young/Administrative Assistant

3. **Business Agenda:** The following items are hereby designated for discussion and consideration which requires individual action.

3.1 Discussion on recent and upcoming Special Events.

Stuart began by introducing himself and letting everyone know about his past experience during his previous 4 years here with the City of Choctaw managing the Choctaw Creek Golf Course as well as his 6 years at the City of Moore before that.

- **Pepper Fest** – The Pepper Fest is August 12th. Stuart reported there are already 10 contestants with more on standby and there will be live music, an emcee, and vendors as usual for the Farmers Market. There are sponsored prizes, and inflatables set up for kids. There is also a Rotary Golf Tournament that evening.
- **Car Show** – This year the show is going to be at the Choctaw Creek Park from 9am to 1pm on Labor Day, September 5th. Jim reported we have sponsors to cover the shirts and trophies already, with over 100+ expected entries.
- **Fishing Derby** – The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife is cleaning up Ten Acre Lake to get things ready for the Fishing Derby, scheduled for September 17, 2022.
- **OK Highland Gathering** – Stuart reported the special event permit for their October event is on the next City Council agenda. They project

8-10,000 people from Friday evening to Sunday evening for their family-friendly and athletic event. Choctaw will be the first leg of the American Trials. Next year they hope to add more contests. This will be the first time it is held in Choctaw; there will be food, games, drinks, and much more.

- **BBO Fest** – Tentative plans are set for November 5th-6th for a barbecue festival, and we will be coordinating this with the Oklahoma Barbecue Association. We still need a lot of sponsors for the prizes and we plan to have this event open to the public so that they are the ones who get to eat the products and judge.

3.2 Discussion on Park Improvements.

- **Choctaw Creek Park trails** – Stuart reported the Equestrian group he has been speaking with is planning to clean up the trails very soon in order to be open for the fall. An Eagle Scout group has also expressed interest in completing a similar project in the park. The rock trail was removed and cleaned up.
- **Trails Project at Ten Acre Lake Park** – Stuart reported the bids for the projects are still coming in and some meetings have yet to be had on this, he should have an update at the next meeting.

3.3 Discussion on Committees.

Currently there are no committees.

3.4 Discussion on Sports Programming.

- **Bouse Sports Complex** – Stuart reported the fall season has 30+ teams so far and he got word that Midwest City cancelled their league so we expect even more participation. The scoreboards are almost 100% ready, and Stuart complimented Teresa on how well she has been able to keep the grass looking great despite the hot weather.
- **Golf Course** – Stuart reported there are 7 golf tournaments scheduled for the month of August.

4. **Consent Agenda:** The following items are hereby designated for routine approval, acceptance or acknowledgment by one motion, subject to any conditions included therein. If any item does not meet with the approval of all members, that item will be heard in regular order.

4.1 Approval of special meeting minutes from July 12, 2022.

MOTION BY Nathaniel Porter and SECOND BY Andrew Cataldo to approve the minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED:

4 Ayes: Smith; Porter; Buys; Cataldo
0 Nays: None
1 Absent: Brown

5. **Board/Staff Remarks:** This item is listed to provide an opportunity for the Board Members and/or staff to make comments and/or request specific agenda items. **No action will be taken.**

Stuart reported Katie Holland resigned today.

6. **Adjournment:**
MOTION BY Nathaniel Porter and SECOND BY Andrew Cataldo to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED:

4 Ayes: Smith; Porter; Buys; Cataldo
0 Nays: None
1 Absent: Brown

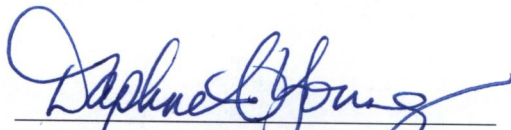
Called @ 7:19 p.m.

PUBLIC RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD



Jim Buys, Chair

ATTEST:



Daphne A. Young, Administrative Assistant