

City of Choctaw
Regular Public Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
March 8, 2022 @ 7:00pm
Choctaw City Hall, 2500 N Choctaw Road
Choctaw, Oklahoma 73020

MINUTES

1. Call to Order by Chair @ 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call:
 - 4 Present: Katie Holland; Jim Buys; Kevin Brown; Andrew Cataldo
 - 2 Absent: Nathaniel Porter; Angela Elliott

 - Staff: Tyler Kilmer/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.
 - Archery 3D Shoot – Tyler reported we had a good opening weekend for Baseball / Softball at Bouse as well as our first Archery 3D Shoot event. Everyone liked the course and layout and we got a lot of feedback as well as some ideas for how to do another event like this.

 - Easter – Our next event is the Easter Egg Hunt, usually held the day before Easter. It was suggested that we host it the Sunday before Easter, on Apr. 10, 2022, and in the afternoon. The board members liked that idea. Tyler also reported we have a church who has offered lots of volunteers for the event preparation as well as the day of. The local Kiwanis Club and businesses want to donate items for prizes, too. Jim confirmed we would have an Easter Bunny for pictures, and Katie asked for the contact information from the last year's event. There was open discussion about adding more games and activities as well as getting more local businesses and groups involved.

- **Arbor Day** – Plans include work on the Frisbee golf pads, planting of trees and flowers, installing more benches, and there will be vendors out at the Farmers Market as well as food trucks. There was open discussion of ideas for more marketing and suggestions for vendor types.
- **Farmers Market** – Opening night is May 6, 2022
- **Touch-A-Truck** – Tyler reported this event will include vehicles from Police, Fire, OK County, K-9 unit, possibly military recruiting, as well as a limousine, and usually a storm chaser from a local news station will come as well. Public Works vehicles and equipment will be on display. There was open discussion about holding this event at the Farmers Market area versus the Large Pavilion area as well as suggestions for other vendors or types of vehicles we may seek out to make the event more interesting to the kids.

3.2 Discussion on Park Improvements.

- **Caboose** – The concrete was torn up in order to replace the sidewalks and table / bench pads. There was open discussion about adding things like a permanent electrical connection and planting of more trees using the beautification grant that was received. Tyler reported that Jerry Hand offered to create a new wooden sign for the area. More open discussion and ideas about the Ten Acre Lake trails project and the park itself.

3.3 Discussion on Committees.

- **Hoops** – Jim reported they are waiting for warmer weather to have the cracks sealed at the new basketball court.
- **Dog Park** – Jim stated this will need more funding
- **Farmers Market** – Katie reported applications for the current group of vendors will be taken the first week of April and then they will open it up to the public to seek out more if needed to fill spots. There was open discussion on increasing the parking options.

3.4 Discussion on Sports Programming.

Tyler reported the Bouse Sports Complex season starts March 22, 2022. The past weekend saw 46 teams playing through the end of day Saturday. There will be a tournament every weekend for the next 11 weeks as well as league games on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Wednesday reserved for make-up games. There was open discussion about Cornhole Tournaments and Pickleball. Kevin suggested the splash pads get checked out early and repairs done, if needed, so it is ready for Memorial Day.

- 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 regular meeting minutes from February 8, 2022.

MOTION BY Kevin Brown and SECOND BY Andrew Cataldo to approve the minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED:

4	Ayes:	Holland; Buys; Brown; Cataldo
0	Nays:	None
2	Absent:	Porter; Elliott

- 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.**

Tyler thanked everyone involved with the Archery event for helping to make our first effort a real success.

- 6. Adjournment:**
MOTION BY Andrew Cataldo and SECOND BY Katie Holland to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED:

4 Ayes: Holland; Buys; Brown; Cataldo
0 Nays: None
2 Absent: Porter; Elliott

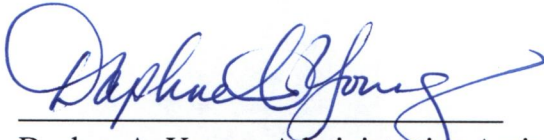
Called @ 7:38 p.m.

PUBLIC RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD



Jim Buys, Chair

ATTEST:



Daphne A. Young, Administrative Assistant