

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

---

**MINUTES**

1. Call to Order by Chair @ 7:02 p.m.
2. Roll Call:
  - 4 Present: Kathy Smith; Nathaniel Porter; Jim Buys; Kevin Brown;
  - 2 Absent: Andrew Cataldo; Anita DeToy
  - 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.
    - Oklahoma Highland Gathering – The support from the community was very much appreciated by the group for our first time hosting this event, which saw over 3,500 paid admissions, even with the windy weather. Event organizers are excited to see this grow and include more competitions next year. There are plans to include the Women's World championship games in 2025 which will have contestants from 50+ countries. In 2026 they plan to include the Men's Master competition which will have contestants from 100+ countries.
    - BBQ Fest – Over 150 plates were sold and overall there was a good turnout. One change may include holding the event a little earlier to avoid the weather and other event conflicts.
    - Farmers Market – The Christmas Farmers Market will be held on the same day as the annual Christmas in Choctaw event on December 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - 3.2 Discussion on Park Improvements.

- **Choctaw Creek Park** – Stuart reported the bathroom nearest the large pavilion has been repaired and repainted. Signs are coming for the park to highlight the park rules and hours and where things are located. Public Works completed some repairs to the walking trails. Work is being done on the Disc Golf signs and t-boxes.
- **Caboose** – There will be a bid process for the irrigation system needed here. While the grant covers the largest portion of the needs such as the flower beds, turf, etc. planting more trees for shade, there are some things needed that cannot be funded by the grant, according to its guidelines.
- **Bouse** – Stuart reported there was a significant amount of vandalism over the weekend at Bouse. They will be gathering quotes for the repairs and have spoken with the tournament coordinator.
- **Golf Course Restaurant Bid** – The Request for Proposal (RFP) went out again for this.

### 3.3 Discussion on Committees.

Currently there are no committees.

### 3.4 Discussion on Sports Programming.

- **Golf Course** – Hosting 9 tournaments
- **Bouse** – The fall league season was great and plans for spring leagues include working with Midwest City to build and keep strong our participation.

### 3.5 Conduct a public hearing to solicit general public input regarding an Oklahoma Recreational Trails Program Grant application.

#### **Staff presentation.**

Parks & Recreation Director Drake displayed the map of the park area consisting of Bouse Sports Complex, Bouse Park, and Ten Acre Lake showing the existing trails and the proposed improvements. Phase 1 will be complete in about 90 days with Phase 2 being considered in the next grant application.

#### **Open public hearing – 7:16 p.m.**

#### **Receive comments**

There was some discussion by the board and Stuart on a bridge, which is optional, the placement of it, as well as the substantial cost.



**Andrew Cataldo left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.**

**Close public hearing – 7:23 p.m.**

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 October 11, 2022.

**MOTION BY Kevin Brown and SECOND BY Kathy Smith to approve the minutes as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED:**

3	Ayes:	Brown; Buys; Cataldo; Smith
0	Nays:	None
3	Absent:	Porter ; DeToy; Cataldo

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 thanked everyone for their hard work with recent events, committees, donations, and participation.**

6. **Adjournment:**  
**MOTION BY Kathy Smith and SECOND BY Kevin Brown to adjourn.**

**MOTION CARRIED:**

3	Ayes:	Brown; Buys; Smith
0	Nays:	None
3	Absent:	Porter; Cataldo; DeToy

**Called @ 7:26 p.m.**

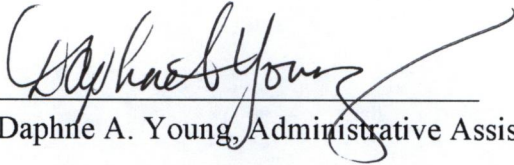
**PUBLIC RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**



---

Jim Buys, Chair

**ATTEST:**



---

Daphne A. Young, Administrative Assistant