

Shelby County Parks Board Regular Scheduled Board Meeting October 8, 2019

2019 Parks Board Members:

County Rep:Matt Burgin, ChairmanCounty Rep:Keith GramigCity Council:Mike Zoeller, Vice ChairmanCity Rep:Jim Lyons

Joint Rep: Anna Simpson, Treasurer City Rep: Hubert Pollett, absent

County Magistrate: Eddie Kingsolver, absent County Rep: Josh Hurst

City Rep: Mitchell Tinsley

Staff Present: Ashley Coulter, Matt Mattingly, Clay Cottongim

Guests: Mr. & Mrs. Jim Career, Mimi Ward, Diane Bickers, Barry Campbell, Joe Ruble

Meeting Called to Order by Matt Burgin at 7pm in the FAC Conference Room

Welcome

Guests: Joe Ruble – The 1784 cabins at Lake Shelby which have been there for 20 years are in desperate need of repair. Kitty Proctor donated these cabins and there was an agreement that they would be utilized for educational purposes mainly at the Painted Stone Festival. Michael Humphrey suggested a total tear down and rebuild and Joe is currently waiting on a quote. Randy Brown would not quote as they were in poor condition and would need total rebuild. It was suggested to inquire with Tourism to see if they are interested in relocating them. The parks board does not want to see these cabins deteriorate yet do not have the funds to repair or continuously maintenance. Diane Bickers recounted memories of the children that came to the Painted Stone Festival and suggested finding another place for them if they can't be upkept. Clay Cottongim suggested creating a committee of these present individuals who can investigate with other agencies on their interest in the cabins. Matt Burgin will reach out to Tourism. Barry Campbell mentioned the walnut trees that could be harvested at Red Orchard Park and using the funds for this project or phase III of the Greenway Trail.

Barry Campbell – Barry works closely with Awake Ministries, the Serenity Center and the VFW. The park has been working with the VFW to house a homeless veteran on a campsite at Lake Shelby. The modular double wide will be given to these organizations

to use for transitional housing. Lease terms and cost to be determined and will let Barry know.

Jim Career – Spoke with the County engineer who deferred back to Jennifer (City engineer). Rick rack would fix the problem per Jennifer's recommendation – park has not received this information. Discussion ensued about information received from City from both Mr. Career and Parks Board. Mr. Career wants permission/help to fix the problem, will pay for the rock but needs park to perform the digging. Parks Board to ask for a more formal letter spelling out the problem and solution from both the County & City engineers.

Mimi Ward – Friends of Park campaign launched October 1st. Foundation members are actively seeking "friends". Ashley created a marketing campaign for the Friends of Park program. Banners have been hung on front fence and in FAC. The first set of friends will have their names painted in the party room mural which the renovation of the party room is the first project on the list. Nearly \$4,000 has been raised so far. The memorial tree may also be utilized for donors. If patrons bring project requests to park board, refer them to Foundation. The batting cage by outdoor restrooms and basketball court are also projects that are targeted to be renovated.

Clay Cottongim – Phase II has been completed; the budget was exceeded but was covered with the remaining funds from the Shelby Trails Gala. The MOA was received Friday for Phase III and the speedbumps. Shelby Trails has been bulldozed and a new trail has been established. It is wider, safer and there are no trenches. Rock (dense grade) was laid since this trail is heavily traveled. Phase IV Recreational Trails Grant (\$250,000) has been applied for with an additional \$50,000 applied for from the Community Foundation. This portion will encompass Red Orchard Park.

Minutes:

Motion made to approve the regular meeting September minutes by Anna Simpson and seconded by Jim Lyons. The motion passed.

Old Business: Easement – The 14 acres is in the flood plain. Jim will be checking with Jimmy Willard for an online auction and Matt Burgin will be checking with Lee Murphy. Lee will also be listing a property that connects to these 14 acres. No fence will be allowed on the easement until a decision is made on what will happen with the land. Board approval will be required on any further land acquisitions and a plan for the land will also be established.

FAC Roof – The County did not follow the proper procedure for the readings therefore the financial situation has been backed up a month, however, Spray-Tec is working with the park with payments. The City has agreed to help out if needed.

New Business: Golf – Discussion held on rate increases. Rates are planned for the beginning of the year. It was suggested that the golf course be more a golf center than course in order to attract more customers.

Committee Reports: None.

Financial Statements: Review. Discussion and review of previous year comparison was held. Motion made by Anna Simpson to accept the August financials and seconded by Jim Lyons.

Department Head Reports: (attached)

Comments:

Adjournment: Motion made by Josh Hurst to adjourn seconded by Anna Simpson at 9pm. The motion passed.

Other:

The November board meeting will be held at 7:00pm in the FAC Conference Room on Tuesday, November 12th.