

ST. CHARLES PARK & RECREATION BOARD MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING HELD

January 4th, 2017

The meeting was **Called to Order** by President Bichel at 6:02 pm in the American Legion Meeting Room at Memorial Hall. **Roll Call** noted the following present for the meeting:

Park Board - Sandy Bichel, David Fichtenmayer, Drew Garvey, Valerie Lanning, Kathy Mudrovic, Bradley Nowak, Tom Smith and Council Liaison Mary West were present. CJ Evans and Mike Ryan were absent.

Others - Maralee Britton – Director
Chris Atkinson -Assistant Director
Nick Donze - Maintenance Superintendent
Chris Bunch - Construction Foreman

3. 2016 Project Review.

Atkinson used a PowerPoint presentation to highlight the major projects that were completed by staff and contractors in 2016.

Board thanked staff for all of their hard work.

4. 2017 Project Preview.

Atkinson used a PowerPoint presentation to highlight the major projects that are on the schedule to be completed by staff and contractors in 2017.

5. Prop P update.

Atkinson and Britton showed the Board renderings of the proposed updates to the six playgrounds that would be completed using Prop P funds. Also showed the Board updated renderings/site plans of the Blanchette Aquatic Facility and Wapelhorst Aquatic Facility.

Blanchette Facility - Board liked the layout of the new facility. Some Board members expressed concern with the fact that pool patrons would now have to cross Olive Street from the new parking lot that will be located on the site of the existing pool. Staff said they will continue to work with the consultants to improve the layout of the parking lot, road and pool.

Wapelhorst Facility - Board liked the layout of the new facility. Britton presented the Board with a preliminary proposal by the Public Works Department to move the current entrance road to Wapelhorst Park along Muegge Road to line up with the intersection of Bogey Estates Drive. This would create a 4 way, lighted intersection instead of the current 3 way lighted intersection. Staff are waiting for Public Works Department to provide cost estimates and possible funding opportunities for this project since this was not part of the Prop P projects the Board had previously prioritized. Staff concerns are how this may impact the timelines of design and construction of the new aquatic facility, overall costs and how it may change the traffic flow of the Park.

The Board agreed that further exploration of this project should be completed and further reports provided as more information is gathered.

6. **Adopt a Park (Board Member observations pertinent to facilities, programs and services within the Park System)**

Fichtenmayer –Booneslick and Circle Drive looked good.

Lanning – Frontier Park, Berthold Square and Kister Park all looked good.

Bichel – None.

Garvey – Blanchette looks good.

Smith - Bales and DuSable looks good. Smith asked about grading at the Bales Ball Fields. Staff said they would look into when it was done the last time.

Mudrovic - None.

Nowak - None.

Council Liaison West updated the Board that the Public Works Department had recently underwent a restructuring. Splitting the Department into Design and Operations. All leadership positions within the new department have now been filled.

As there was not any other business to discuss Smith moved for **Adjournment** at 7:56pm.
Seconded by Mudrovic. Passed unanimously.

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Respectfully Submitted,


Sandy Bichel- President


David Fichtenmayer- Secretary