

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF MAPLEWOOD**  
**PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING**  
January 16, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:01 by Dan Noonan

II. ROLL CALL: Members: Cathy Edmond, Bob Harsh, Karen Clerc, Megan Dougherty, Patricia DeForrest, Jonathan Taylor, Dan Noonan, Tiffany Hyde-Assistant Director of Public Works and Teresa Proebsting PARC Director in attendance. Lisa Parks is excused.

III. WELCOME TO VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS – 2 visitors from MRH Youth Sports present

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Bob Harsh motioned to approve. Karen Clerc seconded. All approved.

V. PARK MEMBERS REPORTS ON PARKS

- Ryan Hummert Memorial Park – Muddy
- Lindbergh Park- No Report
- Kellogg Park – Looks Good
- Yale Park– There may be some graffiti. The fence is rusting in the front. May fall apart.
- Greenwood Park– No Report
- Trolley Park- Fine
- Central Park – Playground equipment needs replacement
- Deer Creek Park – Fine
- Sutton Loop Park- Looks in order. The piano has been locked.

VI. PARK MAINTENANCE REPORT: No report

VII RECREATION PROGRAM REPORT:

- The Heights turns 20 this year, in recognition of this milestone, there will be 20 different events planned.
- An e-cycle drive was held last Saturday and 31,000 lbs. of materials were recovered.
- Upcoming events-pet photo contest and sweetheart dance
- Heights renovation update-New library meeting rooms and family locker rooms are open. The track surface is down. The last time the new pool was checked, there were leaks. March 15<sup>th</sup> is the opening date.
- MFAC-A revenue and expense report was presented. Staff will be meeting to explore ways to increase revenue, perhaps eliminating the resident rates being extended to Rock Hill and City of St. Louis 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> ward residents. Is there a reciprocal agreement with either of these cities?
- There is a new Aquatic Center Manager, Stephanie Landess.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- Tennis Court Update- Project will be rebid. The original bid included reusing the existing stone and it is very expensive. New bid documents will not have that requirement.

- Muni Grant Aquatic Center Improvements-Plan is to get the plantings done before the pool opens and install the splash pad after the 2020 pool season.
- Dog Park Hearings-Patty will reach out to other dog parks to see how they handle permanent bans.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

- MRH Youth Sports-The group would like dugouts installed in Ryan Hummert Memorial Park. They have about 1,000 registrations for all their activities. The kids range from preschool to 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Approximately 210 kids in softball and baseball programs. They believe this would be a nice safety addition and it will provide shade on hot days. They don't feel the dugouts would impact other uses. The ones at Deer Creek Park are larger than what they need. They have about \$10,000-\$15,000 to contribute towards the project. They have parents that can submit a drawing to the City/Board if it is so desired.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT:

Karen Clerc motioned to adjourn. Cathy Edmond seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 20, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathon Taylor & Tiffany Hyde