

City of Bolivar
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting
December 19, 2014

Committee convened at 12:32 p.m. at City Hall

Members present: Ethel Mae Tennis, Frank Zanaboni, Corey Rich, T.C. Wall, John Best, and Brad Johnson.

Guests Present: Jerry Hamby, Norman Beyer, Susan Sparks, and Jeff Barber

Motion to approve T.C. Wall, seconded, Frank Zanaboni, motion carries
Motion and second to approve the minutes of November 21, 2014, Frank Zanaboni, seconded, Cori Rich, Motion Carries

Old Business:

Old Swimming Pool:

- Mr. Hamby reported they hope to start caving in the walls of the pool, busting up the bottom of the pool and filling it in. Will remove all of the equipment and requests of the committee to remove the fencing around the pool.
- Plan to save the lifeguard chairs/towers and the stainless steel rails.
- Plans are to restore the restrooms.
- A recommended was made for the board to meet at city hall, then travel to the pool and conduct a walk-through to determine what needs to be removed from the old pool area.

An Architect has looked over the bathhouse and believes it is structurally sound and may not cost as much to renovate as originally predicted.
Discussed making sure the facility is ADA compliant.

The Friends of the Park has been approved as a 501(c) 3

New Business:

Dog Park:

Citizen Norm Beyer expressed interested in the city having a dog park. Shared his past experiences in using dog parks in Illinois and shared information from a web search.

- Created a brief petition to distribute to veterinary clinics, churches, etc. to determine if there is interest in creating a park.

- Discussed some feasible areas for a possible dog park, but also discussed first steps, which included identifying need and interest for the park. Ideas shared: Websites, Facebook, twitter, posting information at veterinary clinics, and a possible newspaper story.

Old Swimming Pool:

- Some suggestions to redesign the park. One theme suggested was a railroad tie-in with the Frisco Trail. Some of the older games could tie in very well with this theme (botchy ball, shuffle board, etc.) Also some dialogue surrounded leaving the showers in the bathhouse and possible camping for people who use the trailhead.

Corey Rich made a motion to Adjourn the meeting @ 1: 44 p.m., Frank Zanaboni seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:47.