City of Bolivar Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes February 15th, 2013

Present: Chairman Maupin, Members: Gregory, Miller, Pearson, Zanaboni, Pitts, Mayor Best; Darin Chappell, Tracey Slagel, Terry Goodwin, Ezell Goodwin, Kirk Jones, Levi Kemp, Aric Gooch

Absent: Member Morgan

<u>Call to Order:</u> Chairman Maupin called the meeting to order at 11:00am

Approval of Minutes: Member Miller made a motion to approve the January 18th, 2013 minutes. Zanaboni seconded the motion which carried with all members voting in favor. Members Morgan was absent.

Old Business:

- Plans for Spring Walk-a-thon/Moonlight Bike Ride: Members Maupin and Gregory reported to the committee they attended a Leadership Bolivar meeting earlier this month to consider combining the moonlight bike ride with the Leadership Bolivar bike ride. Due to the Leadership Bike Ride being a long bike ride member Maupin stated that our goals would not be compatible to combine the rides. Other items discussed about the bike ride was dates, of possibly June 1st or 8th; making the bike ride have no fee, and keeping the mileage low for families with young children. Member Pearson stated she will check with the YMCA for the possibility of offering a free swim as we had planned to do last fall. Member Gregory stated Bank of Bolivar could help with a flier if needed. The committee decided to no proceed with a walk-a-thon at this time.
- **Review of Financial Reports:** City Clerk, Strader, provided the committee with the monthly financial report. She was unable to attend the meeting today, and offered to answer any questions the committee has next week.
- Review of Drury Students Reports: Mayor Best stated the "Bolivar Vision" should be up on the website soon for interested community members to review. He added the "Bolivar Vision" is a citizen driven imitative. Member Gregory made a suggestion; that as we look to expand retail on the square we also need to be expanding parking areas for employees who work at the locations on the square as well as shoppers.
- **Update on golf course:** Mayor Best informed the committee the Golf Course Club House had been broke into earlier in the month. City Administrator, Chappell, stated there is an ongoing investigation so no further information can be shared at this time.
- **Report on Aquatic Center propane usage:** City Administrator, Chappell stated there is has been no change with the heating at the Aqua Zone. Mayor Best encouraged community members to promote the aqua zone whenever possible. Chappell stated the city is planning to add a link to city's website for the Aqua Zone.

New Business:

• <u>Committee member terms, dates, limits and requirements:</u> Committee members briefly discussed terms, limits and requirements. Mayor Best suggested we table the further discussion until after the April Mayoral Election.

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Items from the Floor:

- Community members Ezell Goodwin and Terry Goodwin addressed the committee concerning the peacocks in Dunnegan Park. The following are some of the concerns presented; consistent feeding times/place, the need for a roosting shelter, bringing the peacocks back to the park that have moved throughout the city, providing care that will increase the population at the park. Goodwin proposed the city provide an old fashioned chicken coop type shelter that is 30x30 to offer the birds a protection. Also, asked the city to feed them twice a day. City Administrator responded; saying the peacocks are feed daily except during the summer. He states they feed the peacocks after dark to discourage the ducks and swans from eating their food. Chapell stated they could look into timed feeders for the peacocks and look into gathering the peacocks that have established residency throughout the city back to the park. Member Maupin asked if the building at the park could be converted into a roasting shelter. Councilwomen Arlene Ferguson mentioned, Dunnegan Park in the past had roasting areas for the birds in the upper level and at that time the population was higher. The committee decided at the March meeting to meet at City Hall then to go over to the park to look more closely at the building at the park as a possibly roosting shed.
- Council woman Arlene Ferguson mentioned she is looking into what could be done with Dunnegan Park's old playground equipment and if it could possibly be sold in order to provide monies for new equipment. Ferguson mentioned she would like the committee to come up with a plan for new equipment for Dunnegan Park and present the plan to the council.
- Committee members decided at to meet briefly at City Hall for the March 15th, 12:30pm meeting then drive to Dunnegan Park to discuss possibilities.

Adjournment:

Mayor Best made a motion to adjourn at 12:00pm and member Gregory seconded the motion. All members voting in favor, with member Morgan absent.

	Sandra Maupin, Chairman	
ATTEST:		
Melisha Pearson, Secretary		