

## **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in a regular session at the Parks and Recreation office at 200 S. Center Street, Building 1, Mesa, on January 13, 2016.

### Members Present:

John Duclos  
Matt Erickson  
Jennifer Madsen  
Wayne Manske  
Bert Millett  
Kathleen Rahn  
Josh Todd

### Staff Present:

Marc Heirshberg  
Michael Holste  
Leslie Clark  
Andrea Moore  
Erik Ostlund  
Aimee Manis  
Tammy Davenport  
Jo Donovan

### Members Absent:

Kent Bulkley  
Jaime Glasser  
Justin Murdock

### Others Present:

Jim Ruiz  
Kristin McPhee

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m. by Jennifer Madsen, Chair.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Jennifer Madsen, Chair, asked if there was a motion for approval of the minutes from the November 18, 2015 Parks Board meeting. John Duclos made a motion, Wayne Manske seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

**Public Comments:** None

### **Presentation: The Foundation for Mesa Parks and Recreation**

Kristin McPhee, President of The Foundation for Mesa Parks and Recreation, gave a PowerPoint presentation on The Foundation. During FY2015/2016 helped provide out 580 youth aquatic scholarships. Donations from The Foundation funds special projects in parks, enhancements to parks and additional equipment needed in all areas of Parks and Recreation. The premier fundraising event for The Foundation is the Sprint Triathlon held at Skyline Aquatic Complex, over the last four years the Triathlon has raised over \$28,000 to support programs that fight youth obesity. The Foundation also assists with Celebrate Mesa, raising funds through water sales and recruiting for The Foundation.

Kathleen Rahn asked how to join The Foundation. Bert Millett, board member made a motion that all Parks and Recreation Advisory board members become members of The Foundation, Ms. Rahn seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried to make all Parks and Recreation Advisory board members also members of The Foundation.

### **Bond Project Updates: Fiesta Sports Park, Pioneer Park, Dobson Ranch Playground, Eagles Park, Mariposa Park and Greenfield Park**

Mr. Heirshberg asked Andrea Moore to give an update on the 2012 Bond. Ms. Moore gave a PowerPoint presentation.

- Fiesta Sports Park: \$5.3 million total budget, D.L. Withers will be the contractor. Demolition should begin in February with an estimated completion date of August, 2016.
- Pioneer Park: \$7.95 million total budget, RFP for Design is due on 1/26/16. Construction estimated to begin Fall 2016 through Spring 2017.
- Dobson Ranch Park: \$640,000 budget, design is being finalized. Construction estimated April – June 2016. First Inclusive playground design.
- Eagles Park and Community Center (formerly Mesa Jr. High): \$6.5 million budget including \$3 million in federal grants. Construction estimated Fall 2016 to Fall 2017.
- Mariposa Park: Additional landscaping and drainage improvements planned for February 2016.
- Greenfield Park: \$3.5 million budget, Engineering is preparing design, Construction estimated Winter 2016 – Summer 2017

### **Director's Comments**

Mr. Heirshberg mentioned that each board member was provided with a Winter/Spring Class Catalog which will be sent home with Mesa Public Schools students, he mentioned that the goal is to direct as many people as possible to our website.

Each board member was given a spring training schedule for the Chicago Cubs and Oakland Athletics.

Mr. Heirshberg invited the Board to the Day at the Diamond on February 27<sup>th</sup> at Sloan Park.

### **Reports on meetings and/or events attended by Board Members**

Mr. Erickson visited Desert Trails Park.

Mr. Duclos visited Desert Arroyo Park.

Mr. Todd visited the ice skating ring in downtown Mesa during the holidays.

Ms. Rahn visited Merry Main Street.

Mr. Manske attended the tree lighting at Merry Main Street.

Ms. Madsen asked if there were any other items for discussion; the Board had no additional comments. Mr. Erickson made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Duclos seconded, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Heirshberg, CPRE  
PRCF Department Director