

CITY OF PIEDMONT – PARK & RECREATION BOARD
George Fina Municipal Building
314 Edmond Road NW
Monday, January 11, 2016 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Dr. Paul Francel, Coordinator Dr. Tamara States, Barbara Groomis and Lyn Land

ABSENT: Crystal Barefield

STAFF PRESENT: Secretary Valorie Cumming

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman Dr. Paul Francel called the Parks and Recreation meeting to order at 6:35pm.
- 2) **ROLL CALL** – Chairman Dr. Paul Francel called roll. A quorum was present.
- 3) **CONSENT AGENDA – All items on the consent agenda are non-controversial and may be approved by one motion.**

a. **Approval of Minutes for the December 7, 2015.**

Barbara Groomis made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of absent members. Motion was **seconded** by Coordinator Dr. Tamara States.

The Vote was:

AYE: Chairman Dr. Paul Francel, Coordinator Dr. Tamara States, Barbara Groomis and Lyn Land

NAYE: None

- 4) **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Barbara Groomis asked for the minutes be adjusted showing Lynn Land as absent.

Barbara Groomis made a motion to approve the adjusted item. Motion was **seconded** by Coordinator Dr. Tamara States.

The Vote was:

AYE: Chairman Dr. Paul Francel, Coordinator Dr. Tamara States, Barbara Groomis and Lyn Land

NAYE: None

5) PUBLIC HEARING – Topics to include those items not listed in the agenda.

Ashlee Ramsey a grant writer and owner of Social Advocate Associates addressed the board.

- the grant comes from the Land and Water Conservation Fund
- 50% matching grant for outdoor recreation projects
- requires land to be committed to outdoor recreation into perpetuity
- City will maintain the items at the park
- it is a reimbursement grant
- last year this fund distributed \$600,000 to various parks
- we are requesting \$150,000-\$250,000
- the City has a very good shot as we have a lot of community involvement and the park is focused on the needs of the community
- the park is heavily focused on history, culture and art
- we will have ADA accessible opportunities and the inclusion of several age groups
- grant involves narrative portion, maps, ownership documentation, and financial profile of monies raised and what is committed
- we will have to give assurances that we will follow civil rights requirements and building code in our process of building
- Jan 29 is the due date and it will be several months after that before we find out if we are approved
- Any money spent before the grant start construction date will not be able to be reimbursed

6) BUSINESS ITEMS –

a) DISCUSSION AND AN UPDATE BY PAUL FRANCEL ON THE PPP.

Chairman Dr. Paul Francel gave an updated to the board on the park project.

- working in metro area to raise more funds for the park
- splash pad and playground have already been planned
- splash pad will be built first
- we completed around 18 different tile projects to raise money last year
- City Mayor Jim Crosby is presenting to the City Council about park funding
- posted on Piedmont news online, social media and have held a public hearing that we are applying for a grant

7) NEW BUSINESS –

a) Unplanned Items. - Requires 4/5ths Majority to Declare “New Business.”

Coordinator Dr. Tamara States informed everyone that the Easter Egg Hunt is March 26 from 2-4pm.

Lyn Land reminded the board that we have to vote on any unplanned items and without the vote any items need to go under comments. Lyn Land left the meeting at 7:07pm.

8) BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS –

Chairman Dr. Paul Francel asked that we be sure to add the Easter Egg Hunt to February's Meeting Agenda.

Barbara Groomis informed the board that Odessa Moffit turned 100 years today.

9) ADJOURN –

Coordinator Tamara States made a motion to adjourn the Park and Recreation Board meeting. Motion was **seconded** by Barbara Groomis.

The Vote was:

AYE: Chairman Dr. Paul Francel, Coordinator Dr. Tamara States and Barbara Groomis

NAYE: None

Chairman Dr. Paul Francel adjourned the meeting at 7:15pm.

Chairman Dr. Paul Francel

Secretary Valorie Cumming