

**Board of Park Commissioners
Meeting Minutes of
August 9, 2021**

Call to Order: Mrs. Galka called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held with the meeting open to the public and a call-in number for remote public participation.

Roll Call: Commissioners in attendance: Mr. Kara, Mrs. Sills, and Mrs. Galka, School Board Representative Mrs. Hillan. Also present: Park Board Secretary Ms. Montes, Park Director Mrs. Goodpaster. Absent: Commissioner Mr. Weinman, and Council Representative Mr. Huddlestun

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mrs. Sills, seconded by Mr. Kara to approve the agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Kara, seconded by Mr. Kara to accept the minutes as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Approval of Register of Claims: Motion by Mr. Kara, seconded by Mrs. Sills to accept the register of claims as amended. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Correspondence: Nothing under Correspondence

Director Report: Mrs. Goodpaster reported Sunday, August 15th is the last day for pool and she will provide a spread sheet for next meeting. Lake Front Festival will be Thursday, August 19th – August 22nd at Festival Park. There will be lots of bands, food vendors, craft vendors and lots of fun activities for kids. Mrs. Goodpaster stated that website is still in process and will bring information once it's ready to go. Mrs. Goodpaster also reported that everything is ready and set to go for the yearly conference. Conference is at end of September and it will be at Nashville. The plan was to originally stay at a hotel; however, it's half the price staying at an air B&B. She spoke with Deb Longer and she is okay with the idea. The commissioners gave their consent for the air B&B.

Mrs. Goodpaster also stated that she is sitting down with Ross Pietrzak to go over the master plan and start the interview process. There isn't a set date for the interviews, but the plan is to interview at least three or more firms. Mrs. Goodpaster, Mr. Pietrzak, Mrs. Longer and Mayor are getting together to go over the financial aspect of it.

A small discussion was held in regards to the parking at Robinson Lake. Mrs. Goodpaster stated that she got the okay for the paving at Robinson Lake, so she is figuring out the best schedule for that project and the right plan for it. There are other projects that need to be done before she can take on this project.

Plan Commission Report: nothing to report under plan commission

Common Council Report: nothing to report under common council

School Board Report: Mrs. Hillan reported that students will be going back to school. They are CDC guidelines for Lake County and there for it is require for all students to wear mask at school. It will be determined moment by moment based on numbers and based on recommendation from Lake County health department. Mrs. Hillan as mentioned that the free lunch program went well. There are more students served now than ever. The schools are planning to start out by giving free lunch to the students at the schools.

Old Business: Nothing under Old Business

New Business: Nothing under New business

Announcements: Bob Allen is with Friends of the Robinson Lake. Mr. Allen reported that their raffle was 100% successful thanks to all the community that made it happen. He mentioned that they will have some money to offer the Park Department for the next project. The Friends of Robinson are proud to be able to raise money and are able to give back to the community. They have worked with Mrs. Goodpaster with any ideas they have to improve Robinson Lake. They appreciate the collaboration that the Park Department, the board and the City has offered.

Mr. Allen also announced that there is a free fishing day on September 25th, there is no license needed from the state in addition, on August 22, they are doing the pulling for the one kayak raffle during Lake Front Fest at the Festival Park at 1 o'clock.

Mrs. Galka thanks the Friends of Robinson Lake for all their time and energy and resources that they have invested that have really made some improvements in the park. We are all excited to see what the future brings for the park.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Sills, seconded by Mr. Kara. All aye, motion carried.
(3-0)






