

Call to order - 6:01 pm by Patti Carter

Roll Call - Present: John Reith, Sarah Roth, Travis Lott, Terri Maes, Collette Powley, Patti Carter, Samuel Higginson; Absent: Billy Belton, Alderman JD Maes.

January Minutes - Will email to board for approval in April

Election of Secretary - Sarah Roth nominated and elected by unanimous vote

Public comment - None

Alderman Report - None

Recreation Report - Patti Carter: Park Reports- Patti Carter; summer ball sign up is complete, coaches are set, and teams will be determined this week. Sign up for the farmers market is ongoing. Sign up for hometown hero's banners- next order is March 15th.

Park Superintendent report- Patti Carter: Informational signs were ordered to inform citizens of fines for leaving pet waste in parks.

Cole Park: New swings with mulch are installed and ready to use. Disc Golf course is ready for use. Discs can be borrowed from city hall. Discussed donated benches being placed along the course. Benches will be donated by the Rotary. Discussed adding a free library in the area by new swings. Girl Scout Troop 8235 has made and donated the library.

Cohen Recreation Complex: Restrooms open

Open green space: nothing new

Midtown Parks: nothing new

Riverfront: Nothing new

Projects Reports -

Bicycle Park: John Reith discussed pump track or path through woods. This is a 3 year plan to not exceed a budget of \$25,000. Discussions with a company to design and install equipment or have some local citizens "trail blazers" make a self-made unimproved path.

Home Tweet Home: MVAG has been asked to participate in a program to assist with the birdhouse designs and decorations.

Flowers in the park: Travis Lott contacted and discussed with IDNR the plan to add food plots and flower areas to Cole Park. Next step is to determine where the plots would work best. Randolph county 4H club has verbally agreed to help plant and maintain the plants.

Unfinished Business - Patti Carter is finalizing the Parks and Recreation strategic plans to be voted on in April so it can be presented to the city council in May.

New Business -

Prospective board members: Danielle Conway expressed interest in joining the board.

Summer Camp: Discussions about length and activities; Meeting set for subcommittee to discuss final plans and details

Old Business - None

Other Business - Disc golf course ground breaking day and time set,  
Meeting Adjourn - 7:35 pm; Colette Powley Motioned, Samuel Higginson Second.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sarah Roth, Secretary