



## MINUTES

### RILEY COUNTY PARK ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

September 10, 2019

The Riley County Park Advisory Board met at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at the Riley County Public Works Administration Building. Board members in attendance were Joe Edmunds, Ken Carroll, Alan Brown, Curt Friedrich. Staff members in attendance were David G. Willis, Mary Graham, Gregg Eyestone, and Commissioner Marvin Rodriguez. Guest Jack McKee also attended.

The meeting was called to order by Joe Edmunds. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as amended.

David gave an update on current county park projects.

**Fairmont Park** – In 2014 a concrete pad was poured to accommodate a shelter on the west side of the park. The construction of the shelter will begin next week. We plan to do tree trimming in the fall and winter months.

**Keats** – The money set aside for the playground will be moved to CIP. The plan is to move the playground to the west of the basketball court.

Other park projects included; ADA ramp outside of Pottorf Hall, trails at CiCo park, and a small parking lot at CiCo park.

David requested feedback from the board concerning playgrounds in Riley County. Should they be our focus or is there something different we should be focusing and spending our money on? There is a master plan for a playground at Fairmont Park but no indication of moving forward on the plan. The board expressed possibly getting better playground equipment to replace the existing at the very least. Shelters seem to be a higher priority at Fairmont. CiCo playground should take priority over Fairmont playground plan. There is a well house on our property at Fairmont which could be used to irrigate soccer fields if there was a desire by the board to prioritize soccer fields. The well house needs a new roof as soon as possible.

Community park purchases were discussed.

**Ogden Park** – The pool shade is complete and engineers are still working on the restroom plan.

**Leonardville Park** – The basketball nets have been purchased but the remainder of the approved purchases have not been ordered yet.

**Riley Park** – Kiddie cushion has been purchased for the year.

**Keats Park** – The plan is to move the \$13,450 dollars for the playground equipment to CIP as it will have to wait until next year to be installed.

**University Park** – They have purchased everything for the year.

**Randolph Park** – They received a grant for the basketball court resurfacing so they used \$5,000 on the speaker system. It was moved and seconded the remaining \$4,100 approved for Randolph Park will be moved to Keats Park for shelter pads, all agreed.

David introduced Adam Johnson from the Little Apple Disc Golf Club. Adam brought two other golfers with him, Ethan and Spencer from the Kansas State Disc Golf Club. Adam laid out his discussion points as

1. What is Disc Golf?
2. Who is Disc Golf?
3. Fairmont Park Use
4. Fairmont Park Assessment
5. Proposed Solutions
6. Estimated Costs
7. What is the Little Apple Golf Club willing to give?

To summarize, the clubs like Fairmont Park a lot aside from the mosquitos (which he would like to eliminate with chemicals....possible nuclear solutions!) He highlighted the positives and negatives of the Fairmont Park course and what changes could be made to increase use. Ethan works for Driggs Design group and mentioned his boss was willing to contribute signs that show the course layout. Desire for more space and a “tournament use only” course was mentioned.

The next Park Board meeting will be at the Public Works Administrative Bldg on December 10<sup>th</sup>

Meeting adjourned.