

**PARK BOARD WORK SESSION
MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI
June 24, 2013**

Call to Order:

Board President called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

Members in Attendance

Bryan Boyd, Andrew Boston, Doug Stark, Kelsie McCrea and Homer Dunsworth

Also attending:

Nathan Musteen – Park Director

Bob Bushyhead - Land3 Studios

Mr. Bushyhead of Land3 Studios presented the proposal for the Raisbeck Park Master Plan. The plan has various templates of fields that would provide for multipurpose fields and has different configurations for sizes and uses. The priorities are to not take out any trees except those that impede the playing area, utilizing the parking and existing facilities. This is a plan to see on paper so that you can ask questions. The memo of cost utilizes typical construct costs per square footages. Both documents help determine the phases and allow us to get moving for playing early next year.

The goal is to a clear direction from the board in order to get a design package and move forward with the first project.

Member Stark asked about the amount of trees that needs to be removed. At this time, only 2 trees are targeted for removal based on the proposed concept.

Director Musteen stated that the lay-out of the fields is a good mix for our purposes. Member Stark and Member Boston both stated that the tee ball field on the plan needs to be removed and turned into parking.

Member Dunsworth asked about capturing water out of plant. Mr. Bushyhead is working on that scenario; no answers are available at this time. Member Dunsworth also asked about prevailing wage versus volunteer work. Director Musteen will check with the city's legal department.

Discussion ensued on tournaments, field sizes and offerings from neighboring communities.

Discussion on irrigation, water supply and general questions on types of grasses and the best options for athletic fields as well as utilizing alternative park green space for practice so as not to damage our game fields.

Discussion on moving the current light poles in efforts to maximize space and create larger playing fields; this could be done as an add-on to the grading phase project if desired. There was further discussion on installing irrigation infrastructure now and adding water later. Mr. Bushyhead indicated you can do this, but you don't want to wait a long time. Adding irrigation infrastructure at a later time would not cause major damage to the fields.

Member McCrea suggested adding irrigation in the phase as an alternate. Member Stark suggested the fields are top priority with parking at number two.

Member Dunsworth made a motion to go along with Master Plan. Member Stark would like to include a couple of light poles estimates; we'd also remove the existing t-ball field to maximize parking options.

Member Dunsworth made a Motion to accept the preliminary plan as is with exception of expanding parking lot and evaluating lighting options. Member Boyd seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 6-0 voice vote.

Member Stark asked about the irrigation options. Discussion ensued on the different options, permits etc...if the flow and pressure of a two-inch line is adequate, that could be an option. We could take water and direct it to a small stand pipe to source off of. Drawing water out of river is a real challenge because it is not a predictable depth or water quality.

Mr. Bushyhead indicated that we need to complete our survey and get the proper permits for grading to raise 6 inches to 1 foot for crowning and drainage. A very straight forward project from a construction standpoint and would like to be grassing in mid-September.

Member Dunsworth made a motion to adjourn. Member Boston seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 voice vote.

Approved: August 12, 2013

Transcribed by Parks Director Musteen