

Rogers Parks and Recreation Commission
Minutes
May 15th, 2024
Noon at Rogers City Hall
301 West Chestnut St.

ROLL CALL:

Greg Lindley, Betty Evans, Shawn Lee, Paul O'Rourke, Christian Saavedra, David Hale

ACTION ON MINUTES:

Motion by Hale to approve April minutes as presented, second by O'Rourke. Approved.
Unanimous voice vote

PUBLIC FORUM:

Meghan Dale w/Cache & Dayton Castleman w/Verdant Studio – Proposing a temporary regional art piece: Red Ball Project at the Railyard Park as part of a 5-city art project. Currently on the June Public Arts Commission agenda. Seeking permission to install the “red ball” in a piece of playground equipment at the Railyard Play Yard in mid to late September.

Kate Williams USA Pickleball Ambassador and a few others spoke regarding the concept of open play, etiquette, signage and a paddle rack system to help the public understand the rules of pickleball.

REPORTS:

Kent Laughlin: Section of the loop behind bowling alley is now open. There have been weather delays but projects are moving forward. Sidewalk projects 8th & Pleasant about to start and 13th St. is progressing.

Lance Jobe: 8th Street tunnel starting next month. Located by Easy St where the Railyard Loop crosses. Surface crossing will be open. Trees to be replaced in Centennial on Monday 5/20.

Kara King: Trail counts remaining about the same. There was a 1% increase from last month and last year. Usership continuing to grow. Railyard Bike Park down last month, possibly weather related. Roughly 300 hours of volunteerism last month including students and corporate groups. Update on upcoming June events.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

NEW BUSINESS:

Vote on updating pricing for Clark and Railyard Bike Park Pavilions to \$150/day. Motion to approve by Evans, second by Hale. Approved. Unanimous voice vote.

ANOUNCEMENTS:

Quinton Harris: Railyard Pavilion temporarily closed for repairs. Northwest Park has been well received. Planning a grand opening for late June. Railyard Live is two weekends in and both have gone really well. Theater concerts have been well attended, APT in the Victory Theater currently. Aquatics Center opens on the 25th for the Memorial weekend. Closes the following week and then reopens that following weekend and will remain open daily through the summer. RAC splash pad open, Water Stop downtown and Hebron will open next week. A couple events in the works, more information to come in next few months.

ADJOURN:

Meeting was adjourned by Lee at 12:31pm