

Osage City Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
October 18, 2007
6:30PM -- City Council Chambers

Board Members Present: Gary Griffith, Will Kerns, Melody Baker, and John Garland

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Corey Linton, Recreation Director

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Melody Baker and seconded by Gary Griffith. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion to approve the minutes from April 19, May 23, August 16, and September 20 was made by Will Kerns and seconded by Melody Baker. The motion passed 4-0.

Items which were discussed by the Recreation Director:

FALL PROGRAMS

Youth Volleyball O CPR will offer youth volleyball for 3rd-6th graders. Amy Gilliland and the rest of the OCHS volleyball coaching staff and volleyball players will be the program instructors. The program will start October 29 and go to November 26. The program meets on Mondays only, at the OCHS gym. Currently, 18 3rd/4th graders and 11 5th/6th graders have signed up for the program.

O CPR SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE INFORMATION

The recreation director sent out sponsorship packages to local businesses at the end of August. Several businesses (Branine Motors, Cotton O'Neil Clinic, and Skydive Kansas) have contacted O CPR about upcoming sponsorships of programs. All businesses who have a sign banner at the Jones Park Complex have renewed their sign agreements for two more years.

O CPR PHOTOGRAPHY BID

O CPR received bids for program pictures. Businesses who submitted a bid were Kramer Photography, Melvern, Mink Photography, Osage City, and Brenda Cox Photography. The recreation director selected Brenda Cox Photography to receive the O CPR photography bid.

FACILITY UPDATE

Lincoln Park

Rubber mulch and timber border have been ordered from the International Mulch Company. The rubber mulch will be used as the playground equipment surface for the small and large playground equipment sets at Lincoln Park. The timber border is a rubberized border, which will surround the rubber mulch when it is put down. The material will be received at the end of October, and then will be placed at Lincoln Park.

AT-LARGE PARK BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The recreation director submitted names of 7 people who have contacted him, the city manager, or the mayor about the 3 at-large park board positions. Each candidate was discussed by the park board, and three people were chosen to be given to the Mayor, as a recommendation to take the at-large positions. Dave Azwell, Jodi Starks, and Michelle Plinsky were chosen to be recommended to the Mayor for the at-large positions. The Mayor will present the recommendations to the City Council and the City Council will choose to accept or deny the recommendation.

MISC

It was brought up by the park board to look at not continuing mesh tank top jerseys for the girl basketball players. The recreation director will check into different options, other than the mesh jerseys for the girls.

Gary Griffith asked if the recreation director can look into making a diagram of Jones and Lincoln Parks. The diagram could be used as a visual to others for the parks.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Will Kerns and seconded by John Garland. The motion passed 4-0.

BBQ COMMITTEE NOTES

The first recommendation for the band was made by Don Cawby. Groovus, from Parsons was brought up as the band for the BBQ contest. The band is a cover band, playing classic rock music. There was discussion about looking for a local or area band to open up, play for an hour and a half, and then Groovus playing for two hours. Location of the music was also discussed.

A \$10,000 contest money prize list was presented. This prize list will be used if the contest can raise upwards of \$10,000 for cash prizes.

The BBQ Committee viewed the initial contest shirt design. This design would be used on the contest shirts, and would be used in some degree for lapel pins given to the BBQ Judges. The committee discussed some changes to the initial design. In general they were happy with the color scheme, and having the contest shirt being red for 2008.

The Kids-Q will be similar to 2007. The Kids-Q meeting will be at 5:30pm. Each contestant will be given one pound of ground beef, and it will be "cook's choice" so they can create whatever they want to turn in. There are no special rules for presentation and the cooks will be judged on Appearance, Taste, and Tenderness. Awards and money will be given to the top 5 places in each Kids-Q age group.

The BBQ Judges will be given the embroidered black aprons, lapel pin, plus other misc items. The Table Captains, instead of receiving an apron, will receive a polo type shirt, with the contest design embroidered on the left pocket area.

There was discussion of an additional category for the teams. The general consensus is a "Cook's Choice" category. Turn-in for this category would be at 2:00pm, after the 4 main categories. The reason for the "Cook's Choice" is to give the cooks freedom to create whatever dish they would like. The cooks would be judged on Appearance, Taste, and Tenderness. There would be no special rules for garnish. The initial thought is to charge teams \$10 each to participate and supply awards and money for the top 3 places.