

# City of Lawrence

## Parks & Recreation Advisory Board June 13, 2006



MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair, Bill Penny, Tom Bracciano, Kelly Barth, and Sharon Spratt

MEMBERS ABSENT Vice Chair, Chris Schumm

STAFF PRESENT: Fred DeVictor, Mark Hecker, Ernie Shaw, Roger Steinbrock and Lisa Coulter, Intern

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Meeting was brought to order by Chair Penny. Minutes of the May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved on motion by Bracciano, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barth.

DeVictor reported the purchase of 6 acres west of Mary's Lake has been finalized. City interest is to preserve the wooded area and trail as a buffer from future housing and the lake and park.

DeVictor reported that 6 proposals were reviewed for the PLAY project by the June 12th deadline. The committee will review and screen the proposals to see how many would be interviewed.

DeVictor reported Jim Kane, golf pro-manager was leaving Eagle Bend to work to get on the pro tour. About 25 applications were received and the selection committee has it down to two finalists, one being an in house candidate. A recommendation will be made soon. The golf operations responsibility will be placed under the recreation division.

Hecker reported on park projects including Sesquicentennial Point, Clinton Park and trail design for Burroughs Creek Trail. Shaw reported summer activities are off to a good start. Pools are open, classes and playgrounds and day camps started last week. A summer women's basketball league has been formed for the first time in many years.

Roger reported he was already working on a special 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary edition of the fall brochure, which will come out July 31<sup>st</sup> this year. Included will be a photo contest, "Sweet 60" question scavenger hunt and kick ball tournament.

Staff reported that Chapter 9 – Park, Recreation and Open Space was still being discussed with the City Commission and Planning Commission and the ¼ mile service area remained an issue.

The Board was reminded of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Bill Self/LPRD Youth Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05P.M. Next meeting July 11th, 2006.