



## Advisory Board Minutes October 14, 2008

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Bruce Muzzy, Vice Chair Kevin Loos, Jana Dobbs and Kelly Barth

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Tom Bracciano

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ernie Shaw, Mark Hecker, Roger Steinbrock, and Paula Craig

**GUESTS:** Cynthia Boecker, Clenece Hills and Chuck Woodling

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- I. Meeting called to order by Chair Bruce Muzzy.
- II. Approval of the September 9 minutes on a motion by Dobbs, second by Loos.
- III. Kelly Barth had two concerns from citizens.

Brookcreek neighbors concerned about the green burial. Ernie reported that it is less than one acre in the northwest corner of Oak Hill Cemetery. There will be some underbrush clearing with plots worked around the natural area. If trees are healthy, they won't be torn down. A buffer width between the cemetery and the homes has not been established at this time but will be looked at.

The second concern had to do with clearing of trees between the levy and river and a sign posted to look like it was Parks and Recreation stating that it was Non-Pesticide 24D which is a herbicide. Caller reported there was a public works truck while the work was taking place. PR staff said that they would check into it – a board member said that maybe its Corp clean out.

- IV. Chuck Woodling made a short presentation about renaming North Park Street to Ralph Houk Street. Houk played and coached baseball in South Park for many years. He started playing in the major leagues in 1947 with the New York Yankees and later became a renowned major league coach for many years. Parks and Recreation does not have any objections to renaming North Park Street, as long there is no historic significance and all guidelines are met with city code. It was suggested that Mr. Woodling pursue this interest with Historical Resources and other city departments. Loos made motion to proceed with this and second by Barth.
- V. Clenece Hills presented a check for \$850.09 to the board to be earmarked for Phase II of Sesquicentennial Point. Clenece is requesting permission to proceed with raising funds for Phase II, such as completing the sponsorship walkthrough (there is about 60 to 70 steps remaining to be sold), water and electrical needs, etc. Clenece stated that there are some grants out there, but they require matching funds. Her next Sesquicentennial Point meeting is set for November 6<sup>th</sup> and there will be a guest speaker discussing wind energy. A motion was made by Dobbs and second by Muzzy.

- VI. Cynthia Boecker presented information to the board about the sales tax proposal for the transit system. There are three sales tax questions – Question #1, 0.3 percent for streets and infrastructure (streets, sidewalks, fire equipment, trails, etc.) Question #2, 0.2 percent for public transportation; Question #3, 0.05 percent for public transportation, expanded. Questions 2 and 3 are in “partnership” – if #2 doesn’t pass, then #3 won’t go.
- VII. a. Shaw reported that staff is doing as well as they can with what we have and is on track to make and/or exceed projected revenues. Always in need for more space for recreational classes. Board was given copies of the revenue reports.
- b. Hecker reported that we are developing two t-ball fields north of the Holcom Sports Complex where practice fields used to be. The replacement of the Hobbs restroom will start up after the shelter reservation season is over. Fall plantings are in full bloom.
- c. Roger said that final touches are being made for the Winter/Spring activities guide which is due to come out November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15pm. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at Noon.