

City of Montgomery
Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes
April 8, 2019

Present

Brian Riblet, City Manager
Tracy Roblero, Assistant City Manager
Julie Machon, Recreation Coordinator
Sara Fink, Recreation Specialist
Connie Gaylor, Clerk of Council

Committee Members Present

Lynda Roesch, Chair
Gerri Harbison
Mike Cappel

The Parks and Recreation Committee of Council convened in Council Chambers at 3:30 p.m. with Ms. Roesch presiding.

Discussion of Dulle Park Tennis/Pickleball Courts

Ms. Machon explained to the Committee that a survey was conducted at the end of 2018. She stated that question #3 of the survey asked if the courts at Dulle Park should be converted to pickleball courts. She stated the majority wanted to keep both pickleball and tennis courts, to restripe for better visibility, and the use of portable pickleball nets. Ms. Machon stated that the results of the survey were discussed with the Parks and Recreation Commission in February and that based on their feedback, staff is recommending keeping both courts at Dulle Park.

Mr. Cappel asked if there would be a cost difference.

Ms. Machon stated that there would be an additional cost to purchasing the portable net. She stated that at this time the nets have to be adjusted to convert from tennis to pickleball.

Ms. Fink added that although the nets adjust, they are not to tournament height.

Ms. Machon reported that there is \$6,000 budgeted in the 2020 budget for the portable nets.

Mrs. Harbison made a motion to support staff's recommendation of keeping pickleball and tennis striping at the Dulle Park courts and to purchase a portable net in 2020.

Discussion of the Installation of a Shade Structure for the Municipal Pool

Ms. Machon explained to the Committee that the funbrellas at the pool have been there since the pool opening. She stated that the installation of a shade structure has been ongoing for the past five to eight years. She explained that \$50,000 is budgeted in the 2019 budget. She explained that she researched six different companies and that USA Shade was the best in design and shade coverage. She stated that the posts would be placed in the grass area so as not to lose any square footage on the concrete.

Ms. Roesch asked how long it would take to install.

Mr. Riblet replied that it could be installed before the pool opening on May 25.

Ms. Machon stated that this has been a much-requested addition from the patrons for a while now. She stated that the actual cost is \$44,440 and the installed is local.

Mr. Cappel moved to approve the addition of the shade structure to the pool. Mrs. Harbison seconded. The Committee unanimously agreed,

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Mr. Cappel moved to approve the February 11, 2019 Committee minutes. Mrs. Harbison seconded. The Committee unanimously approved the minutes.

Other Business

Mrs. Harbison stated that she has spoken with Eric O'Driscoll who would like to sponsor the annual coloring contest during the Holiday in the Village event. He stated that the family would like to sponsor \$1,000 annually for this event in memory of his grandmother, Mary O'Driscoll.

Ms. Gaylor spoke with the Committee regarding presenting the topic of having tobacco-free parks discussed with the Parks and Recreation Commission at their May meeting. She explained that this has been a goal of the WeTHRIVE! Chronic Disease team since 2015 and they were waiting on legislation to be finished on the handling of the park's rules.

Ms. Roesch advised Ms. Gaylor, Ms. Machon and Ms. Fink to present to the Parks and Recreation Commission at their May meeting and then to come back to the Committee with their recommendation.

Adjournment

Mr. Cappel moved for adjournment. Mrs. Harbison seconded. The Committee unanimously agreed.

The Parks and Recreation Committee of Council meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.



Chair