

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW
RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY BOARD
HELD AT THE CITY OF SAGINAW CITY HALL
333 W MCLEROY BOULEVARD
JUNE 10, 2019**

Present at the Meeting:

Chairman	Place No. 3	Charles Beasley
Vice Chairman	Place No. 5	Brack St. Clair
Member	Place No. 2	Janelle Young
Member	Place No. 4	Russell Jolly
Member	Place No. 7	Gregory Gerami
City Manager		Gabe Reaume
City Engineer		Andrew Simonsen
City Engineer		Dana Shumard
Public Works Director		Rick Trice
Assistant Public Works Director		Randy Newsom
Recording Secretary		Mary Ragle

Absent from the Meeting:

Member	Place No. 6	Ronda Nyberg
Alternate Member	Alt. No. 2	Charity Deville
Streets and Parks Manager		Paul Wrzesinski

Visitors at the Meeting:

Karen Cromwell	Robbie Strauch
Ken Haney	Liam Strauch
Katherine McGill	Scott Powers
Laura Presley	Scott Cronian
Korie Kiser	Jamey Price
Zoe Kiser	Fred Stewart
Nikki Elliott	Kelly Stewart
Misty Farr	

The quorum for tonight's meeting consists of Chairman Beasley, Vice Chairman St Clair, Members Young, Jolly, Gerami

(1) Call to Order

Chairman Beasley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

(2) Audience Participation

Chairman Beasley advised the audience regarding the procedure to be followed to speak to the board.

(3) Public Review of Proposed Park Improvements

DPW Trice stated that an assessment had been completed covering all of the city's parks by Kimley Horn and Associates. He introduced Katherine McGill with Kimley Horn.

Ms. McGill shared a power point presentation summarizing conditions and needs of each park. After the presentation she explained there would be a 20 minute recess for board members and the public to view the displays set up in the lobby showing each park and improvements recommended. She also said there were response cards for input and requested everyone mark the boards showing their top 3 priorities of the projects shown.

The meeting was recessed at 6:20 p.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 6:40 p.m.

DPW Trice summarized the cost for proposed improvements for each park stating that the total for all parks would be approximately \$28 million if all were completed. He advised the city is working on a bond package for a bond election but it would not be just for parks.

Scott Powers, Scott Cronian, Robbie Strauch and Jamey Price, all with the Eagle Mountain Soccer Association requested consideration be given for more and improved soccer facilities in the parks.

Kelly Stewart, 404 Mustang Drive in Saginaw, had comments regarding Opal Jennings Memorial Park.

Misty Farr, 213 Dominion Court in Saginaw, stated she appreciates the consideration to the all assessable playgrounds in all the parks.

DPW Trice said the same information presented tonight will be on the city website and social media requesting more public feedback. The information gathered from tonight's meeting and the result of feedback from an online survey would be combined to revise the concept plan.

(4) Discussion and Action Regarding the 2019 Christmas Displays in the Park

ADPW Newsom told the members that the Beautification Committee has agreed to fund \$15,000 toward the purchase of the 2019 Christmas Display. He reviewed the choices made at the joint workshop with the Park Board and Beautification as the following: 4 self-standing LED Trees (14' to 25' tall) \$9,692, Gingerbread House (25' x 21') \$23,200, Santa Roping a Reindeer (20' x 12') \$6,700 and Festive Trumpet (64' x 47') \$64,000.

After a discussion a motion was made by Vice Chairman St. Clair with a second by Member Jolly to request that city council approve funding \$25,000 from the Park donation Fund and using the \$15,000 from the Beautification Fund to purchase the following:

Group of 4 self-standing LED trees (14' to 25' tall)
Gingerbread House (25' x 21')
Santa Roping a Reindeer (20' x 12')

Motion Carried

For.: Chairman Beasley Vice Chairman St. Clair,
Members Young, Jolly, Gerami

Against: None

Absent: Member Nyberg and Alternate Member Deville

(12) Adjournment

Motion was made by Member Gerami with a second by Vice Chairman St. Clair to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried.

For.: Chairman Beasley, Vice Chairman St. Claire,
Members Young, Jolly, Gerami

Against: None

Absent: Member Nyberg and Alternate Member DeVille

Chairman Beasley declared the meeting of June 10, 2019 closed at 7:05. p.m.

APPROVED:

Charles Beasley, Chairman

ATTEST:

Mary Ragle, Recording Secretary