

EDEN PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
April 6, 2021

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee met on Monday, April 6th, 2021.

Members Present:

**Roy Fraizer
Matt Warren
Michael Yannotti
Will Nance
Dr. John Dabbs
Ben Curtis**

Members Absent:

**Judge Ed Wilson
Karla McDonald
Charlene Pettie**

Staff Present:

**Terry Vernon
Kelly Stultz
Carla Huffman
Erin Gilley
Trisha Scales
Jeff Moore
Council member, Phil Hunnicutt
Council member, Darryl Carter**

NEW BUSINESS:

City Manager, Jon Mendenhall, introduced himself and welcomed the committee members.

Ms. Gilley explained the Roberts Rules of Order and Open Meetings Laws to the committee.

Mr. Curtis was elected Chairperson of the committee.

Mr. Vernon introduced himself to the committee and thanked them for their service. He then turned the meeting over to Mr. Curtis.

Each member expressed what they would like to see the committee accomplish.

- Increased participation and enthusiasm in Program Activities.
- Increased participation in softball leagues and senior leagues.
- New activities offered such as off-road biking trails and activities that include parents.

- Incorporation of Social Media and advertising that will reach all of Rockingham County.
- Get input from high school aged kids.

Council Member Hunnicutt shared his opinion that the City is at a crossroads in regards to Recreation Services. He asked the group whether services are being duplicated citywide and if facilities are being used to their full capacity and appropriately. He noted that he hopes the committee will take a look into all facilities and programs and give an assessment of what is needed. He encouraged them to talk with people in the community for suggestions on what we should be doing.

The following members were assigned to sub-committees:

- **Facilities:** Hard assets such as recreation, buildings or ballfields.
Chair: Matt Warren
Dr. John Dabbs
Roy Fraizer
- **Activities:** Activities & Programs
Chair: Roy Fraizer
Mike Yannotti
Benjamin Curtis
- **Greenspace:** Open areas & environmental management
Chair: Judge Ed Wilson
Will Nance

Mr. Curtis stated that he would like a council member to be present for the meetings to help advise and guide them in decisions regarding finances.

The Committee has agreed to meet once a month, the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm. Sub-Committees may meet before or after the regular meeting each month.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Parks & Recreation Advisory
Committee