**Park Board**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, October 16, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

**Kirkwood Community Center Room 202**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** The meeting was called order at 7:03 p.m. with President Ellen Edman, Steve Ostrowski, Nate Wurtz (absent), Jordan Wienke, Kathy Paulsen (absent), Christopher Molitor, Kevin Miller, Lauren Nieman, Becky Jones and Staff Liaison Kyle Henke, Curt Carron and Pete Laufersweiler in attendance.

1. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Allen Hopefl, 12 Orchard Way, Gave updates about the upcoming Powder Valley managed hunt and gave his support to the MDC Cooperative Agreement related to Powder Valley, Emmenegger Park and Possum Woods.

1. **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 MEETING MINUTES**

A motion made by Jordan Wienke to approve the September 25, 2023 meeting minutes, seconded by Christopher Molitor. Motion approved unanimously.

1. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
   1. Partnership Committee – Met and discussed the Webster Groves Nature Society kiosk and began discussions about naming parks, they will have a draft policy to present to the Park Board soon.
2. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
   1. Strategic Goals Update – None
3. **NEW BUSINESS**
   1. Parks Budget Review – Steve discussed the current state of the Park Board budget and when revenue and expenses are accounted for.
   2. MDC Cooperative Agreement

A Motion by Jordan Wienke to approve the MDC and Kirkwood Parks Cooperative agreement. Seconded by Lauren Nieman. Motion approved unanimously.

1. **SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS REPORT**
   1. Curt discussed the Superintendent of Parks’ report.
2. **DIRECTORS REPORT**
   1. Master Plan RFQ – They have come in and are under review. Kyle asked for a volunteers for the selection committee. Jordan Wienke, Becky Jones and Ellen Edman volunteered.
   2. Parks Superintendent Retiring – Curt Carron announced that he will be retiring on February 2nd. It was announced that Pete Laufersweiler will be his replacement.
3. **BOARD COMMENTS**

Lauren Nieman – Said that a neighbor asked about a Scout Troop that would like to volunteer. Staff will get her the correct contact information.

Jordan Wienke - Said that she is excited for Curt but sad that he is leaving. She asked about security at large events help by Kirkwood recreation.

1. **ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.