

**RUSSELLVILLE RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION**  
**Minutes from Monthly Meeting** *2*  
**June 11, 2020**

Present: Dallis Clark, Jamey Ellis, Bryan Fisher, Greg Hines, Terry Thomas  
Absent: Johnny Brazil, Alderman Chris Olson  
Person Recording: Kelli Nealy  
Guests: Hannah Butler-The Courier; Ron Knost

**Call to Order**

Bryan Fisher called the meeting to order at 12:05pm.

**Approval of Minutes**

Dallis Clark made a motion to accept the minutes from the 5-14-20 commission meeting and the 6-1-20 special called meeting. Jamey Ellis seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

**Old Business**

**A. Park Master Plan**-A draft of the first five chapters of the Park Master Plan was emailed to the commissioners for their comments and suggestions. Recommendations will be submitted to Half Associates, and the final draft will be presented to City Council in July.

**B. Hickey Pool Discussion**-This agenda item will remain on old business until a decision is made regarding Hickey Pool. A representative from Burton Pools is scheduled to look at the pool next week and will then quote a renovation of the existing pool with added features. Commissioner Hines is interested in how long a renovation to the pool would last as opposed to a total tear down and rebuild. Commissioner Fisher would like to know if both options can be done during the off season.

**New Business**

**A. Capital Needs Discussion**-The commissioners received a copy of the department's seven year capital improvement needs list that was presented to City Council. The sales tax continuation plan currently has the department receiving 10% of sales tax revenues. The commissioners were asked to review the list and prioritize the projects.

**Updates**

**A. M. J. Hickey Pool**-Hickey Pool opened for the season on Saturday, June 6. Daily attendance for the first five days was reported to the commissioners.

**B. Aquatic Center**-Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Aquatic Center is only open to members. Daily attendance was reported as approximately twice as many swimmers as Hickey Pool. Seventy-four new family memberships have been purchased in the last three weeks. Research is underway for a new point of sale software system due to security guidelines set forth by the auditors.

**C. Local Leagues and Tournaments**-The youth baseball league began at Hickey Park last week, and youth and adult softball leagues will begin next week. Approximately 105 teams were in the River Valley on June 6 and 7 for the first softball tournament of the season.

**D. Monthly Report**-The commissioners received a copy of the department's monthly report.

**E. Upcoming Events**-A schedule of upcoming events was given to the commissioners.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00pm.