



CITY OF FISHERS PAC MINUTES

BOARD OR COMMISSION: Parks Advisory Committee
DATE: Monday, January 9, 2017 at 6:00 PM
SCHEDULE: Regular Meeting
LOCATION: Fishers City Hall Auditorium

Attendance

PAC Members

- Cindy Davis, Chad Garrard, Kurt Kluempers, Brian Catt
- ABSENT: Walter Sharp

Staff

- Tony Elliot, Andrea Babb, Danesa Stolz

Others Present-See attachment

1. Meeting Called to Order with the Pledge of Allegiance AT 6:00 pm

2. Approval of the December 2016 minutes.

- Kurt Kluempers motioned to approved the December 2016 PAC meeting minutes.

Brian Catt second the motion. The December 2016 PAC meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Call to the Public (for items not on the agenda)

4. Parks and Recreation Monthly Report – Tony Elliot, Director

- Tony Elliot reported that the City of Fishers is actively seeking candidates to replace Casey Cawthon and Autumn Gasior in Marketing.
- Tony Elliot stated that he and Dan Domsic, Community Outreach and Volunteer Coordinator, will be speaking regarding community engagement at IPRA at the end of January.
- Winnie the Pooh Day is Sunday, January 15th at Cumberland Park from 1p-3p.

5. SPORTS – Kim Sugg

- No SPORTS report.

6. Discussion and Information

a. Annual Tree Board Update – Danesa Stolz

- PAC is the Tree Board for the City of Fishers.
- The [attached information](#) should answer any questions, but Danesa Stolz is always happy to answer any questions the PAC or the public have regarding this information.
- Cindy Davis asked if there were plans for contractors for subdivisions for future planning. Danesa stated yes, only approved trees/plants. The list can be found on the City of Fishers website. We are also working with Dan Domsic, Community Engagement and Volunteer Coordinator, for HOA Boards. If someone is wanting to plant beyond the HOA restrictive covenants, they must submit a permit with the city for approval.
- Kurt Kluempers asked about if someone wants to clear a lot of trees for future projects, or something along those lines, who approves that? If it is within Fishers city limits, it would need to be approved by the City of Fishers Planning and Development Department.
- Cindy Davis asked what PAC's role is moving forward with tree consideration? Danesa Stolz stated that, ideally, the City of Fishers would benefit from having an Urban Forester on staff who can be more active with urban street tree projects and inquiries.
- Tony Elliot stated that he would like to see more tree based programs. The Tree Matching Grant process was started by David George with Fishers City Council many years ago, as trees beautify spaces such as entries to subdivisions and such. It also allows us to keep up with the urban canopy. We would like to have volunteers take time to champion the cause for tree maintenance and urban canopy status.
- Danesa Stolz stated that she worked with DPW recently to isolate which trees should actually be slated for removal.
- Chad Garrard asked if the invasives list is the same as in the surrounding areas, Carmel, Noblesville, etc.? Danesa Stolz replied yes.

- Brian Catt asked if we work with any entomologists to determine invasives and for notification. Danesa Stolz replied yes.
- Cindy Davis asked what we can do to be proactive and to stay ahead of the invasive species/insects. Danesa Stolz stated to not move firewood.
- Cindy Davis asked if we should make an ongoing agenda item for PAC meetings. Tony Elliot stated yes, maybe bi-annually.
- Cindy Davis asked where the public can find this information at. Danesa Stolz stated that the information is on the City of Fishers website. There are invasive and non-invasive lists.

b. 2017 Goals

- Tony Elliot stated that we are working on the CAPRA accreditation process currently, hopefully submitting in 2018.

7. Discussion and Action

8. Discussion: Identify Items for Future Agendas

- Master Plan changes of Policies.

9. Adjournment

- Chad Garrard motioned to adjourn. Kurt Kluempers second the motion.
Meeting adjourned at 6:54 pm.

Next Meeting: February 6th, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Location: City Hall – Auditorium, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers

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Attachment

Attendees:

- Kim Sugg – SPORTS
- Todd Gillian
- Nathan Rues