



Minutes of Parks Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 14, 2025
Council Chambers
5:00PM

Those in attendance were:

Judd Hart, Chair
Stephanie Jones, Staff Liaison
Tom Farmer, Mayor
Frank Baptist
Steve Brown

Evelyn Reed
Ann Spencer-Cole
Bill Donner
Jeff Morrow
Trevor Villines

The Parks Committee met on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, in the Council Chambers and agreed to the following.

Chairman Hart moved to the approval of the November 11, 2024, minutes. Alderman Baptist made a motion to accept the minutes. Alderwoman Reed seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Chairman Hart moved to the next item on the agenda, 2025 Price Sheet – Chairman Hart stated that at the beginning of every year, we review pricing for all programs in the department. He noted that several are noted to increase by \$5, there are some new programs, and some of the programs were decreased. Jones reported that any fees that are noted for an increase is due to an increase in our cost such as medals, shirts, equipment. Anything that is noted to reduce in price is because we felt we could cover the costs. Jones stated that she feels the fees are comparable in Saline County, and we do have the scholarship fund available as an option to those that need it. Alderman Morrow made a motion to approve. Alderman Baptist seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Chairman Hart stated that the next item on the agenda, Stage Rental Pricing, has been tabled until the next meeting. Chairman Hart stated that training is on-going, and the banners have been ordered. Mayor Farmer advised that the stage will be utilized at the upcoming MLK Day, without the banners.

Chairman Hart moved on to Other – There was a discussion about the Sunset Lake property. Alderman Donner complimented and thanked Stephanie Jones and the department. He stated that he has received several phone calls about what a great park system we have, and they believe that we have one of the best in the state. There was a quick discussion about day passes and security at River Center.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.