

ST. ALBANS CITY PARKS COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 14, 2016 9:00 AM

RECREATION DEPARTMENT, 2ND FLOOR

Attendance: Jeff Young, Tom Koldys, Barbara Weinstein, Stina Booth, Angie Sturm,

Absent: Joan McGinn

Staff Members Present: Kelly Viens; Director of Recreation

Special Guest(s): Admiral Warren Hamm, representing local Veterans

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
1. Call to order	Tom Koldys 9:01 AM	
2. Meet with Veterans/representatives regarding installations in Southeast end of Taylor Park.	<p>Admiral Hamm wanted to have an introduction and be sure that he was able to make it very clear that the Veterans are not anti-children. They are very proud of the park and what the Commission is doing for the community! The Veterans want to be sure that nothing is put in a close proximity to degrade the monuments.</p> <p>Mr. Koldys acknowledges his concerns and ensures the Admiral that all options have been considered. Mr. Koldys provides a greater understanding of where the instruments will be placed and how much space they will take (6x6 or 6x8)</p> <p>Admiral Hamm was very receptive of the size and location of the instruments. In total agreeance with the concept of the instruments being in this end of the park. Mr. Koldys notified that a bag will be placed over the</p>	<p>An invite was extended to Admiral Hamm to the Tuesday, Nov. 1st meeting.</p> <p>Admiral Hamm requested a person to join him at the park and show him the exact location.</p> <p>Admiral Warren Hamm contact information 527-7015; datum_wch@myfairpoint.net</p>

	instruments at times when it would be inappropriate for them to be played.	
3. Decide placement of installation of musical instruments in Taylor Park (D&V)		
4. Discuss writing letter of support from Commission for the Taylor Park Planning Grant (D&V)	Chip is a great grant writer and all feel confident in signing his letter.	Motioned by Mr. Young 2nd by Ms. Booth Unanimous vote in favor of signing the grant letter written by Chip Sawyer.
5. Other Business	Mr. Young brings up the fact that Parks Commission has no line item in the budget. He tried while he was sitting on City Council but was not successful.	
a) Updates on the Fountain in Taylor Park	Contractors have come and looked at the statues. Rocks were found in the bowls and hundreds of dings all over the ladies and water fountain. Children were throwing rocks at the fountain and causing these dings. The paint has been chipped and if not repaired it will allow water in, cause a blister and even further damage.	Mr. Young urges Mr. Koldys to mention and bring up the concerns in hopes to have all of the rocks removed.
b) Alternative substrate on the grounds around structures and playgrounds	Encourage the use of the sod around the fountain. It is also likely, that the substrate around the Houghton Park playground will need to be replaced or improved upon come the spring.	Provide proof, in the spring, of the deteriorating quality of the chips surrounding Houghton Park play structure.
6. Adjourn.	To adjourn in Taylor Park or not. Not all members will be joining Admiral Hamm in the park. So the meeting is adjourned now.	Motion by Ms. Booth 2 nd by Ms. Sturm