

Abilene Recreation Commission

April 16, 2021
Meeting Minutes

The Abilene Recreation Commission met on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at the Abilene Community Center. Present were Recreation Commission members Derek Berns, Angie Evans, Billy Hansen, Shawn Herrman, Chris Cease and Director Kellee Timbrook.

Chris Cease, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Angie Evans moved to accept the February 15, 2021 meeting minutes as presented, Shawn Herrman seconded the motion, motion passed.

Kellee gave the update of the revenue and expense report for the commission through March 2021. Billy Hansen made the motion to receive the Financial Report, Derek Berns seconded the motion, motion passed.

Under old business, the board discussed a project for 2022 using some carryover money. The board decided to renovate the Eisenhower Park Tennis Courts and add pickleball court lines. The discussion also included new fencing, new parking lot and a drinking fountain. This project will be presented in the 2022 budget. Board also discussed that the city commission approved the purchase of new overhead volleyball net systems and a new curtain for the gym at the Abilene Community Center. The lead time is 12 weeks and 1 ½ weeks for install.

Under new business, Kellee explained that the 2022 budget is being prepared. There will be some shifting of funds for some programs that have changed and the tennis court project would be added to special projects. Kellee also updated the board on the Abilene Community Center fund that is funding the new volleyball net system and curtain, and possible a new coating to the bathroom floors at the Community Center.

Under the Director's report, Kellee updated the board on programs. Spring soccer has started, after being postponed a week due to rain. There are approx. 170 kids this season. That is the highest numbers since 2016. Youth baseball and softball registrations are coming in and teams starting to practice. Items sold on purple wave brought \$125. APRD is partnering with K-State Research and Extension to offer Storywalk in our parks. They will utilize Eisenhower Park and Bi-Centennial park the weekend of April 23-26. Families can walk and read a story along the way.

Having no further business, Angie Evans moved to adjourn the meeting, Shawn Herrman seconded the motion, the motion passed.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 21, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.


Director


Chairman