MINUTES
LAWTON CITY LAKES AND LAND COMMISSION SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
AUGUST 24, 2023, 4:15 PM
OWENS CENTER
1405 SW 11TH ST., LAWTON, OKLAHOMA
STANLEY HAYWOOD ROOM

Mitch Dooley - Interim Parks and Recreation Director
Antonio Hopson – Parks and Recreation Superintendent

Also Present:
James Bonnarens, Lake Supervisor
Juan Rodriguez, Code enforcement/fee Collector
Misty Roberts, Lake Admin II

Mark Scott called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. Notice of the meeting and agenda were posted on the City Hall notice board as required by law.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mark Scott (Chair)
Austin Rabon (Co-Chair)
Kade McClure
Donald Smith
Tim Hushbeck
Dustin Hilliary
George Gill

Absent:

REPORTS: PARKS & RECREATION STAFF:
Bonnarens reports that work on Colliers Landing boat dock will start after the Labor Day weekend.
Bonnarens also reports that he, Juan Rodriguez, and Misty Roberts have been in training with the new recreational permit program in getting prepared to go live September 26th.
Bonnarens reports that in a future meeting (October) he will be bringing back some past agenda items that were never taken to council by previous directors.
Mitchell Dooley introduces himself at interim Director of Parks and Recreation due to Christine Davis moving into a different position within the City of Lawton.

COMMISSION MEMBERS: No reports

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:
A. Consider approving the minutes from the April 19th, 2023, Regular meeting.
Rabon makes a motion to accept the minutes from April 19th, regular meeting, Smith seconds the motion.
AYE: Scott, Rabon, McClure, Smith, Hushbeck, Hilliary, Gill NAY: NONE

B. Consider approving the minutes from the June 14th, 2023, Special meeting.

Hushbeck makes a motion to accept the minutes from the June 14th, 2023, special meeting, Smith seconds the motion.
AYE: Scott, Rabon, McClure, Smith, Hushbeck, Hilliary, Gill NAY: NONE

C. Discuss and take action if necessary; on the letters of violation, prepared by staff, to send to lessees giving them 30-day notice to remove or repair boathouses with major deficiencies as specified under City of Lawton code.

Bonnarens handed out photo's and stated that the photo's are of boathouses and some of the attachments are the actual letter that Juan went through and drafted. These boathouses have been inspected per City Code and are in severe repair and the people are failing to move forward. Bonnarens states that from previous meetings we have given people extra time because there are only about 4 people that do this kind of work. The letters going out have not been in contact with the people who do the repairs or on a list for repairs. If they were on a list then there would be some leeway. These letters were sent to upper management to ask if they were good with the letters going out and management recommended that we go through the Lakes and Land Commission Board to let you see and approve since this is all in code.
Hushbeck asked if the process was the same if this was a structure or a house?
Bonnarens stated he did not know. They have their own code.
Rabon states that this is different. It is not a residence.
Bonnarens states that Juan has now been inspecting for 2 years and the owners have still not moved.
Marc Scott stated that he feels that we do not need to take action on this item because this is already in code, and we are following code enforcement.

There were no other reports, correspondence, or discussion and the meeting adjourned by unanimous decision of the Commission at 5:00 pm

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY THE
LAKES AND LAND COMMISSION
CHAIRMAN, MARK SCOTT