**Minutes**

**Knob Noster Park Board**

**January 4, 2021**

The Knob Noster Park Board met on January 4, 2021 for a special called meeting.

**Call to Order:** President Storms called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Members present were Jamie Bentley, Joe Burnor, Zach Grove, Trisha Wilcox, and Tim Storms. Also in attendance: Mayor Adam Morton, KN City Administrator Scott Peterson.

**Minutes:** Minutes from meeting held on December 8, 2020 were reviewed by park board members. Joe Burnor made a motion to approve minutes with one correction, Trisha Wilcox did not attend the December 8, 2020 meeting. Trisha Wilcox seconded the motion and minutes were approved by the park board members.

**Old Business:**

* Projects with CY2020 funding was briefed.

No other old business was covered.

**New Business:**

* The possibility of a park tax being added to the April 2021 voting ballot was discussed due to the city council upcoming meeting to be held on January 5, 2021.

\*\*Items discussed were:

\*\*\* Do we have time to submit a request to the city to get a tax on the ballot because of the January 19, 2021 deadline for it to be added to the ballot.

\*\*\* A committee needs to be formed; no city personnel can be on this committee, but park board members could be a part of the committee.

\*\*\* The board had concerned about it being on the ballot along with a school tax increase, but it was confirmed that no school tax would be on the ballot in April.

\*\*\* How to we need to advocate the city council to get their approval for the tax.

\*\*\* Items such as the city park has not been upgraded in 25 plus years and the playground equipment is beyond repair, new playground is awfully expensive and our current budget of $10,000 per year could not substantiate replacing the equipment, and the current budget barely covers everyday maintenance and upkeep of the park, how the park is looked at by people moving to the city for recreation, plus long term 1, 5, 10-year plans are being formulated for the parks future and possibly adding a second park in the future.

* After discussion of what we needed to present and how to present it to the city council on January 5, 2021 a motion was made by Joe Burnor and seconded by Trisha Wilcox to put a package together to present to the city council on their meeting on January 5, 2021. The park board members approved the motion unanimously.
* Tim said he would put something together to present to the city council on January 5, 2021 and he ask for the park all board members if they could attend the city council meeting as well on January 5, 2021.

No other new business.

Motion to close meeting was made by Trisha Wilcox and seconded by Jamie Bentley which was accepted by the board. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm. Next scheduled meeting will be January 12, 2021 at 5:30 pm. at Knob Noster City Hall.