

# **Norman Board of Parks Commissioners**

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## **2012 ANNUAL REPORT**

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### **SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES**

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## **JANUARY**

Dennis Brigham was re-elected as Chair and Jackie Farley was re-elected as Vice-Chair of the Board of Parks Commissioners. The Board voted to recommend a fee-in-lieu of land decision for the Oakhurst PUD Addition. A public meeting was held to present the Monroe Park Concept Drawings.

## **FEBRUARY**

The Board voted to approve the Sub-Committee Appointments. The Norman Amateur Softball Foundation presented their annual report to the board. The Board voted to recommend a fee-in-lieu of land decision for the Fountain View North PUD Addition. Jeff Hill, Recreation Superintendent presented a report on Recreation Activities.

## **MARCH**

Dennis Brigham presented an appreciation plaque to outgoing Commissioner Mark McGuire for his services to the Norman Board of Parks Commissioners. Russ Lowry presented the annual report on behalf of the Norman Optimist Football and Baseball programs. David Lisle, Golf Pro, and Ralph Cagigal, Golf Course Superintendent, reported on the activities at Westwood Golf Course. The Board voted to recommend renaming Brookhaven Park to Don Cies Memorial Brookhaven Park.

## **APRIL**

Douglas Elder presented the annual report from the Firehouse Art Center and Mickey Williams presented the annual report from the Norman Football Academy. Roberta Pailes, Co-Chairman of the Sutton Wilderness Advisory Committee presented a slide show to the board and stated they will present a formal management plan in the future. The board welcomed Dennis Stewart as new commissioner to the board.

## **MAY**

There was no new business for the May meeting. The annual park tour followed the meeting.

## **JUNE**

Jennifer Baker presented the annual report on behalf of the Sooner Theatre. The Board voted to accept the names of "Monroe Park" and "Rock Creek Park" for the two new parks upon recommendation of the Park Board Naming Committee.

## **JULY**

There was no meeting in July.

## **AUGUST**

The Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Field Allocation Review Committee for the use of the fields at Griffin Park by the Norman Optimist Club, Norman Youth Soccer Association and Football Academy, Inc.

## **SEPTEMBER**

Todd Gibson, NYSA President, presented the annual report for Norman Youth Soccer Association. The Board voted to recommend a land decision for the Santa Rose PUD Addition. The board voted to recommend a Hall Park Green Belt Lot Line Adjustment which would allow Park Maintenance crews to maintain the area without having to cross over onto private property.

## **OCTOBER**

Vernon Maddox , President of the Cleveland County Historical Society presented the annual report for the museum. Stephanie Yoder, Secretary and Regina Tedder, Treasurer of the Little Axe Youth Sports presented the annual report for the Little Axe Youth Sports Association. Judith Wilkins, Sutton Wilderness Advisory Committee member presented the final Sutton Wilderness Management Plan to the Board. The plan will be posted on the City of Norman website. Park Planning staff presented a list of park development projects to be completed at Adkin's Crossing Park, Colonial Estates, Colonial Commons and Sunrise Parks using the fees-in- lieu of park land that was collected between 1976 and 1994 as approved by a City Charter Amendment change approved by voters in March 2011.

## **NOVEMBER**

Jud Foster hosted a discussion of Park Board Roles and Responsibilities and an overview of the Park System Master Plan.

## **DECEMBER**

David Minihan, Westwood Tennis Pro, presented on activities of the Westwood Tennis Center. Rick Fry presented the annual report on behalf of the Performing Arts Studio.

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