



**CITY OF NEWPORT
PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NEWPORT CITY HALL
October 26, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Emily White called the Park Advisory Board Meeting to order on October 26, 2017 at 6:02 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present (3): Chair Person Emily White, Board Member Heidi Tweeten and Board Member Jared Flewellen

Not Present (2): Board Member John Graber.

Non-Voting Members Present (1): Executive Director Matt Yokiell

Not Present (1) Council Liaison Mayor Dan Lund

3. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Member Heidi Tweeten seconded by Member Jared Flewellen. Approved 3-0

4. APPROVAL OF PARK BOARD MINUTES

A. Park Board Minutes of July 27, 2017

Member Tweeten motioned to approve the Park Board Minutes for August 24, 2017. Seconded by Member Jared Flewellen. Approved 3-0.

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson White spoke about the end of the season for the Community Garden and how pleased the members were about how the new location turned out. Wished to thank Public Works for all of the effort put forth. Stated that over 1,000 lbs of food were donated to food shelf.

6. BOARD REPORTS

A. **Anita Perkin**

Not present

B. **Heidi Tweeten**

Member Tweeten asked for an update on the Bailey School Forest Joint Governance Committee. Yokiell stated that one informal meeting had taken place in an effort to revive the group. More meetings will take place in the near future to address issues including the Tree Trek project that is being led by Tweeten. Tweeten figured the signs for the Tree Trek project would cost approx \$140 (20 signs at \$7 each).

C. Jared Flewellen

Member Flewellen spoke about meeting with NAA and coaches in regards to playing field improvements. Yokiell stated fields have been cut out to regulation size and base paths have been widened as requested.

D. John Graber

(Not Present)

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Matt Yokiell stated that ball diamonds have been redone and encouraged board members to take a look at them. 2 benches have been installed along the walking path in the natural area on top of Loveland Park. The house has been demoed on the Cedar Lane Property that is planned on transitioning into a park.

8. NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Chairperson White spoke about the tasks that needed to happen for the Buckthorn Pull on October 28.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Member Flewellen motioned to adjourn the Park Advisory Board Meeting. Seconded by Board Member Tweeten. Approved 3-0.

The Park Board Meeting was adjourned October 26, 2017 at 6:33 pm

Respectfully Submitted By:

Matt Yokiell,
Park Board Executive Director

Signed: _____
Emily White,
Park Advisory Board Chairperson