

MINUTES
FOOD AND BEVERAGE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
SPRINGFIELD-GREENE COUNTY PARK BOARD
Wednesday, November 29, 2017
Park Board Administrative Offices, 1923 N. Weller, Springfield, Missouri

1. ROLL CALL

Mr. John Price, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm.

Committee Members Present: Dee King, Sarah McCallister, John Price

Committee Members Absent: Scott Bailes

Park Board Staff Present: Bob Belote, Mike Crocker, Jenny Fillmer Edwards, Jim Fisher, Karen Mellinger, Jerry Mitchell, Miles Park, Lana Woolsey

II. FOOD AND BEVERAGE COMMITTEE REVIEW

Mr. Bob Belote, Director of Parks, stated that Park Board staff has been diligently working on the materials presented for the meeting today. Revisions to the proposal and supporting documents have been made based on suggestions from the last Food and Beverage Committee meeting.

Ms. Jenny Edwards began the discussion by reviewing the graphic flyer that includes information about the amendment proposal and “did you know” facts regarding the proposal. Committee members made several suggestions to the flyer for clarity. Ms. Edwards also reviewed the Food and Beverage Proposal in detail with the Committee members. Discussion was focused on maintaining consistent language throughout the proposal and supportive documents.

Mr. Belote stated that we had received 12 letters from community partner organizations in support of our food and beverage proposal, and copies of the letters would be presented at the Community Involvement Committee meeting on December 5, along with our golf course market survey research document. Mr. Belote mentioned that we have heard from several community officials who are in support of the proposal because of our due diligence to responsibly manage any events in which alcohol would be available for sale or possession, and that we were not proposing it for youth sporting events and softball complexes. Also, there has been a successful track record of no reported incidents at numerous events held on City property in which alcohol was available for sale and consumption.

The Committee suggested that Mr. Belote and Mr. Price follow up with other several community officials that might have questions. The timeline in moving the proposal forward was also discussed. The Committee also discussed that Mr. John Price, Chair, Food and Beverage Committee, would lead the presentation at the Community Involvement Committee meeting. Other Food and Beverage Committee members, along with Park Board members and administrative staff, are welcome to attend the meeting, as well.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Sarah McCallister made the motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ms. Dee King. Motion was approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.