

MINUTES
SPRINGFIELD-GREENE COUNTY PARK BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
Park Administrative Offices, 1923 N. Weller, Springfield, Missouri and
Virtually via Microsoft Teams Teleconferencing
Wednesday, May 22, 2024

I. ROLL CALL

Mr. Randy Blackwood, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

PARK BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Blackwood, Leslie Carrier, Ann Compton, Curtis Jared, Dr. Dianna Parker, Susie Turner

PARK BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Don Chenevert, Jr., Mark McNay, Royce Reding,

PARK BOARD STAFF PRESENT: Tim McCrea, Karen Mellinger, Lana Woolsey

II. ACCESSIBLE VAN THROUGH GRANT PROGRAM WITH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION

Ms. Lana Woolsey, Parks Assistant City Attorney, stated that the Park Board initially approved this grant-related matter on April 10, 2020. Parks had been awarded participation in the grant program for the purchase of an accessible vehicle through the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and the Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO). Due to the pandemic and lack of vehicle inventory, the purchase of the vehicle was not made. Recently staff learned that in order to proceed with receiving the grant and purchase the vehicle, we must again obtain Park Board approval and have all the documents re-signed by current Board members, which included a very short timeframe by MoDot. The approximate cost of this accessible van is \$103,650. MoDot will pay 80 percent of the purchase price for an accessible vehicle and the Park Board is responsible for 20 percent. Staff has raised \$15,130 in donations for our portion of the match, leaving a balance of \$5,600, to be paid out of Park funds. Ms. Woolsey mentioned that a CDL license is not required to drive the vehicle. The new accessible van will increase services and accessibility for our disabled and senior population program participants. Ms. Ann Compton made a motion that the Park Board approve the two resolutions presented to the Board today, which authorize the application for and acceptance of a grant from the Missouri Department of Transportation, for the purchase of a disability accessible van, with the grant funds providing 80 percent of the acquisition costs and the Board providing the remaining 20 percent of the funds necessary for this purchase; seconded by Mr. Curtis Jared. The motion was passed unanimously. Ms. Woolsey asked that each resolution be voted upon separately. For the MoDot resolution, the motion was unanimously approved. For the Park Board resolution that remains in our files and includes more detail, the motion was unanimously approved.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Curtis Jared made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ms. Leslie Carrier. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting ended at 4:13 pm.