

University Park Improvement District – Golf Course Club House
General Board Meeting minutes May 9th, 2023

The University Park Improvement District Board meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM via Zoom due to weather.

Officers present were Richard Soash, James Slaymaker

Community in person and on zoom :Jo Ann Zahner, Karla Slaymaker, Sarah Dahl, Travis Gilbert, Richard Soash, Shawna Bedford, Krista Havenstein, John Cassida, James Slaymaker, David Chizek, Paul Weiler, Curt Freidrich

Introductions/announcements Presentations

Call to order: Board Members Present: James Slaymaker and Richard Soash

Approval for replacement board member for the secretary position (applicants included Sarah Dahl, Jo Ann Zahner and Jami Johnson). Jo Ann Zahner was selected to serve until the election in November 2023. If you are interested in running in November – make sure you get your name into the county. New board will be installed in January 2024.

Other important dates:

- May 20th Potluck dinner at the pavilion 6:30 pm (Guest Brian Peete – Director of Riley County Police Dept) He is here to socialize. Dennis Carlson is going to go over firewise information at the picnic.
- June 6th 7:00 PM Board meeting
- July 11th 7:00 PM board meeting (update on sewer treatment project)
 - John Ellerman Director of RCPW, Evan McMillan Asst Dir of RCPW, Greg McKinley Riley County Dir

Thank you to Travis Gilbert (UP logo winner) and Ron Schwab (for donation to UP)

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for Fire Wise on April 29th. The board provided food from the Farmhouse in Riley.

Here is who volunteered:

Bill McReynolds, John Havenstein, James and Karla Slaymaker, Bob Vathauer, Rita and John Cassida, Tracey and Craig Weston, Sarah and Ryan Dahl, Travis, Aly, Flynn and Ryker Gilbert, Ginger Vass, David, Sarah, JR, Jude and Ike Adkins, Stacey and Dave Chizek, Mike, Mic and Turner Closson, Kim Luna, Tray, Jillyn and Bodey Schmidt, Danielle Tarner and Gibran Suleiman, Judy Shultz, Martin, Victiana and Michael Henneberg and Lori and Jim Brunner. If I missed you or misspelled your name please let us know. Thanks so much to everyone for their hard work!

Audience Comments:

Many residents would like updates on sewer project . We are reaching out monthly and putting the information into the agenda/notes monthly. RCPW committee coming to board meeting in July 2023. James's understanding is if we have approvals from state before July 2025 we are okay). Should have the data from the flow meter to size appropriately. July 11th board meeting Riley County will be present to answer questions and give information.

Minutes and financials are approved 3-0.

Standing committees:

- Disc golf tournaments April 23rd, June 25th and July 8th. UP has reached out to get forms signed and dollars collected.
- Golf course maintenance Laura Mendenhall in contact with Debbie (who sprayed course last year) who will re-assess and give price for next round of spraying. Concern over walking paths mowing has to stay 4" tall to survive. An offset path is going to be mowed so it will allow the grass to grow back. Golf carts and ATV's on walking paths are contributing to the problem. Laura will create a map to show what is walking path vs golf cart.
- Rental House – new residents will be moving into house in August. 11015-Lakeview-Dr-Manhattan-KC- Current residents moving out before middle of July. That will give two weeks to paint and prepare.
- Sherman Township meeting April 12th at the clubhouse

New business:

- Install a culvert at the golf course onto hi-view drive by the flag pole. County requires culvert.
Approved 3-0
- Approve broadband lease for installation of equipment on the water tower. Approved 3-0
Soash is getting the \$100 per month for top of water tower plus free internet for clubhouse (saves us \$70). All proceeds are going to support the boat ramp.
- Last year money was approved to replace windows on ground floor. They are in stock now -will schedule to install.
- Clubhouse bathroom remodel - \$1500 allocated for remodel – bathroom will be closed for two weeks while this is completed. An outhouse will be provided until the bathroom is back open. Work will start soon.
- Kurt F got 1/3rd of funds from Sherman Township for this year and the balance of 2/3rd next year (approx. \$27K) We received approval to put part of that money for preparing site for pickle ball court.
- Richard Seaton is resigning from board effective immediately. Thank you for your service on the board.
- Travis Gilbert brought up usage fees for the golf course by the AIR BNB's. Should we relook at the way we are charging them. It was agreed that the next board should address this and look at it as a small revenue source in the future but keep it as is for now- AIR BNB's are paying \$100 annual fee.
- 4th of July 5K run/walk scheduled for Saturday July 1st. Funds of under \$100 allocated for lines. Run starts at 8 am and golf course will be closed.
- Complaints about dog excrement on the golf course. Remind everyone that they need to pick up dog excrement on the course and in other people's yards. There are poop bag dispensers at the clubhouse. More signage will be put out to remind people. Allocated under \$50 to put the signage.
- Appeal on why vacant land is taxed just like occupied land. This will be checked into next year. Should we look at selling the vacant lots to adjacent homeowners? Good question to review by next board?

The meeting was adjourned 7:48 pm.