

University Park Improvement District

University Park Golf Course Club House

General Board Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2021

The University Park Improvement District Board meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M. and was transacted in person and via Zoom teleconference.

Officers present were Jenna Grater and Richard Seaton.

Seaton moved to fill the vacant board position with Richard Soash, Mr Soash having volunteered. Grater seconded and Soash was approved. Thereafter the Board rearranged the officer assignments. Grater remains as treasurer, Seaton is now the secretary and Soash is President.

Soash makes remarks about living at UP, what a nice place it is to live and about how COVID has changed the way people interact.

Approval of the minutes from August was deferred until the October meeting.

The Treasurer's report was discussed and approved.

There was a discussion about changes to the meeting procedure will be instituted, forthwith. About the first of each month an email will be sent soliciting comments or issues to be addressed at the next meeting. Each resident will have 5 minutes to address issues at the beginning of the meeting. Please bring solutions not problems. Soash will summarize individual agenda items and will then lead the comments and discussions. Those wishing to address the board are asked to stand and identify themselves prior to making comments.

Thanks to Travis Gilbert for his year of service on the Board.

Thanks to Travis and Curt for spearheading the improvements to the playground. It looks great.

Thanks to Joe for all the work on the golf course and the new signs.

Thanks to Don for the innumerable contributions he has made to University Park over the years.

Thanks to Don and Susan for all of their various joint projects they have undertaken.

Thanks to Beverly, Michaela and Susan for taking on the holiday and seasonal decorations.

Thanks to the volunteer firefighters for keeping UP safe.

Thanks to Jack for watering and nurturing the new trees.

Thanks to Bob, Joe and Libby for mowing.

Thanks to Jenna and Danny for their work on the golf course and Jenna for her hard work on the treasury of UP.

Thanks to Bill for mowing.

September 18th UP Picnic. Please encourage neighbors to come. This is an important community building event. Perhaps there could be music for the picnics. And yard games.

Oct 23rd is set tentatively as last picnic date, depending on weather. There will be pumpkin carving.

Parks:

1. Heywood Park: No report.

2. Golf Course: Need more trash cans. Golfers are encouraged to recycle there cans and bottles at the club house. Gibran talks about invasive species on both courses. Needs to be addressed. The grass is called Old World Bluestem. It is very aggressive. It is spreading all over the courses and in beginning to come up in people's yards. Joe is working on a machine to kill it with herbicide. Bob Vathauer makes a recommendation for a chemical to be used on it. Joe, Gibran, Laura Mendenhal and Bryson Funke volunteer to be on a mitigation committee to address the old world bluestem.

3. Disc Golf: Need more trash cans. Golfers are encouraged to recycle there cans and bottles at the club house. The tournament is coming up on the 19th and the course is looking good.

4. Parks Committee:

5. County Parks: Curt is at the County Parks and Rec committee meeting and will give a report at the next meeting.

6. Firewise: Community members need to report hours working on trees and brush to Karla. Dennis Carlson is the new Director of State Forestry. He visited with Karla last week about the Firewise program. John Marten recommends that all home owners have

a Firewise assessment. They are free and not obligatory. The Fire Department and Firewise committee will give a presentation at the September picnic.

7. Boat Ramp: Thanks to Joe for putting up the new signs. John will get hold of Brian McNulty about getting on the notice email about lake level changes to watch out for the boat dock.

New Business:

The Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing, as newly instituted by the Kansas legislature is explained by Jenna.

There is discussion about the UP budget for 2021-2022. It is read by Jenna. The current maximum is \$50,890. There is discussion about how it is calculated and its accuracy. After discussion the budget is approved by the Board.

Soash wants to form new committees to address various projects at UP.

Golf Course committee: Volunteers are Ponch, Laura Soash, Dave Chezik and Kim Luna.

Disc Golf Committee: Nick Bedford. Joe and Don volunteer to help Nick with maintenance issues.

Boat Ramp: This has been Don Turner's project largely. He needs help. That committee will be Joe, John Martens, Danny Grater and Travis Gilbert.

Social and Welcome Committee: Volunteers are Joanne Zahner, Karla Slaymaker, Roxanne Martens and Stacy Chezik.

Stewarts trash pile: Travis will call the daughter Stephanie to get it addressed.

Insurance coverage at UP Golf Course: Seaton explains his call with Lance from Copeland Ins. There is no liability coverage at all. Only a \$10K premises medical policy. Jenna moves to pay Ins for golf course. It is approved.

Private use of UP property: This should not be allowed, without specific permission from the Board or appropriate committee member. The locks to both sheds will be changed so as to control access. John Martens will install security camera to monitor the club house.

The meeting was adjourned by President Soash at 8:33.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Seaton, UPID Secretary