

**UNAPPROVED  
DERBY PARK AND URBAN FORESTRY BOARD MINUTES  
May 12, 2022**

Call to Order: 11:00 A. M.

<b>Roll Call:</b>	<b><u>Members Present</u></b>	<b><u>Members Absent</u></b>
	Sherii Farmer	Rick Dame
	Bruce Renberger	
	Dave Peebler	
	Marty Hunt	
	Jason Griffin	
	Regina Solis-Willhight	

**Also in attendance:** Steve White, Joe Loflin, Shana Sneath, Bonnie Thieme

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion:** Bruce Renberger moved to approve the minutes from April 14, 2022

**Second:** Jason Griffin second.

**Vote:** All yea, motion carried.

**Open Forum:** The lighting project at Riley Park has been completed. It is very high- tech and will keep players safer and staff can control it from their phones if necessary. Mr. White introduced Regina Solis-Willhight to the rest of the PUF board and staff.

**Old Business:**

Spring Into Art was a success and the giveaways of Lacebark Elm, Redbud trees and Marigold flowers was a fantastic community engagement activity. We also celebrated Arbor Day at this event and planted a tree. The Mayor was on hand to plant the tree.

**New Business:**

The statistically valid survey for the Parks Master Plan will be sent out to random households next week. We need to have 300+ responses for it to be valid. Please respond if you receive it.

Next Tuesday we will be having a neighborhood meeting at English Park. Members of that neighborhood have been invited to attend and meet with city staff to give their input on adding amenities to the park. We will be serving hotdogs. The PUF board is invited to attend.

There has been a lot of community engagement with the amenity boards. Mr. White showed the PUF board the results thus far which have been sent on to the consultants.

**Park Updates:** RRR pool has been filled and opens on May 30<sup>th</sup>. Several staff members have received professional certifications through the NRPA. The Stonecreek pond is being treated for algae, the pads for the disc golf course have been poured and will be installed soon. Staff has helped with recovery efforts due to the Andover tornado. Many new plants have been installed around town by the horticulturist and other parks staff. Mr. White updated the board on the new vehicles and equipment that has been purchased. The high school program is continuing and we hired 9 students this year for summer staff, the pay was raised to compete with other industries.

**Motion to adjourn:** Jason Griffin moved to adjourn the May 12, 2022 PUF meeting.

**Second:** Dave Peebler, second.

**Vote:** All yea, motion carried unanimous.

End.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Shana Sneath  
Public Works Coordinator,

Marty Hunt \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman