

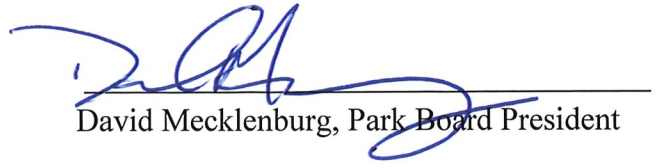
**MEETING OF THE  
LAFAYETTE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
4:00 pm  
15 October 2018**

The City of Lafayette Park and Recreation Board met in regular meeting, October 15, 2018, at 4:00pm in the Rush Pavilion in Columbian Park. However, because there was not a quorum, no actions were taken.

Park Board members present were Dave Mecklenburg and Maurie Denney. Parks Superintendent Claudine Laufman, Director of Operations Jon Miner, and Recording Secretary Carlynn Smith were present. Parks staff members present were Mike Perry, Emily Butler, Kecia Beltz, and Skyler Viray.

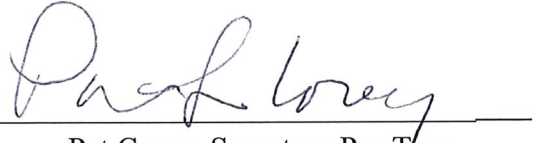
**Superintendent's Report:**

- Representing the Lafayette Pickleball Association, Paula Elmore expressed thanks to the Parks Department's for the new courts at McCaw Park. She reported that new players are participating every week, and LPA members are providing them with instruction and opportunities to play. Currently there are more than 200 members of their Association. She also reported on their successful venture in hosting a tournament in September. Registration was closed 3 weeks earlier than anticipated as all 220 spots were filled. Players from 9 different states participated in the event. The dates for next year's event are September 20-22. They will soon be winterizing the courts.
- Zach Chartrand, Business Manager for the Lafayette Aviators, spoke about the 2018 season. He reported that attendance this year compared to last year was down almost 200 per game. In reflecting on possible causes, he cited the sale of the team one month prior to the start of the season presented challenges in planning as well as weather-related delays and cancellations. However, with new ownership, there are now 2 additional full-time employees in the local office and planning and preparation for the 2019 season are well underway. The team roster is almost filled and includes players from local high schools and Purdue.
- Superintendent Laufman provided updates on progress at the Crosser Sports Complex. She also reported that Jon Miner has been researching naming policies, and she hopes to have a draft of a Lafayette Parks and Recreation naming policy for them to review soon.
- Director of Operations Jon Miner reported on the progress of the new slide project at the Cove. He also reported that 3 pumps will be pulled soon for refurbishing and new flooring will be installed in the changing rooms. He will also be seeking bids for repainting the steps and tower of the banana peel slide.
- Superintendent Laufman announced there will be a meeting of the Park Board on Monday, October 22, 2018 at 4:00 in Rush Pavilion. The meeting concluded at 4:23.



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David Mecklenburg, Park Board President



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Pat Corey, Secretary Pro Tem



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Carlynn Smith, Recording Secretary