

**CITY OF CLEARWATER, SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS
PARK ADVISORY/TREE BOARD MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 18, 2006**

The regular meeting of the City of Clearwater, Sedgwick County, Kansas, and Park Advisory Board was held on Monday, September 18, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. in the Clearwater City Hall at 129 E. Ross Avenue.

The following members were **present**: Chairman, Bob Cumming, Chisholm Trail Recreation Commission, Swim Team and Clearwater Historical Society; and Jami Buck, Member at Large. The following members were **absent**; T.C. Wallace, Clearwater Lions Club; Kari McCloud, AYSO Soccer; Maureen Kunkle, USD 264 Board; Jim Frickey, Clearwater Youth Football; and Brent Spencer, Junior Ball Association. **Also present** were Kent Brown, City Administrator; Jo Johnson, Deputy City Clerk and Park Advisory/Tree Board Secretary; and Tammy Hodges, Recreation Director.

1. Approval of the Minutes of August 21, 2006

There were no minutes for the August 21, 2006 meeting due to lack of quorum.

2. Continued Discussion on City Park Improvement Project

The Board members present discussed the various project concerns with the main emphasis being on the entrance, parking lot, bridge and drainage. The Board felt that there definitely needed to be a main entrance and exit into the City Park, with one-way traffic going in and out. There was also the need for a drop-off point for safety issues, as well as to eliminate traffic backup. The Board further felt that a well-marked pedestrian crossing in the parking lot was important and that could follow the current pedestrian crossing on Ross Street. The Board discussed the need for some curb appeal to the park, which could be enhanced with some type of a circular area at the end of the pedestrian crossing entering into the park itself that would include plantings and a sitting area.

The Board went on to discuss the need for replacement of the current walking bridge. Discussion was held on whether to complete the drainage first and then replace the bridge or visa versa. It was also discussed on what type of drainage should be completed, with no decision made.

The Board requested that possibly at the next meeting there would be available a drawing of the park area to mark on so it could compile the ideas from the various illustrations into one.

3. Other Matters and Reports:

Jamie Buck reported that there were some cracks in the tennis courts that need to be looked at and repaired before winter.