



PARKS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

April 13, 2022

Attendees

Mike Steffe
Matthew Weyer
Jill Schipp
Natalie Howard
Tom Lueken

Tammy Miller
Sharon Bohenkemper

The meeting started at 4:30 pm. The meeting minutes were presented. Jill made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes, which Mike seconded. All were in favor. Tammy talked about our finances. She explained the finances and how it works with projecting money and also educated us on the ARPA money. Matt made a motion to approve the finances, and Jill seconded. All were in favor.

Park News

Fifth Street Park

Jeff Durlauf called Mike about the scoreboard and reported that the controller does not work. He was going to order a new one but Mike asked him to wait. Matt said he would call Jeff to talk about this issue. Tom said that Todd and the guys can put the scoreboard up. Tom said we may be able to use the Linament League controller. May 2 is the first game.

Also in discussion was if we want to update the Art Ruhe sign? It looks pretty worn so we may need to replace it. Matt will facilitate getting one.

Jarrold Kerber says that the soccer team would like to have trees planted at MCBI field. Matt said that planting 10 trees would be a good number to start with. Jill said she would get with Scott Berger on this issue. DNR recommended not to plant maples.

We need to get a plan for the door locks at 5th street park. Tom had an expense to get more keys, which we have trouble getting back from people. Jeff Durlauf has information that we need to get from him to see if his plan may be an option for us. Right now there are 8 keys for the girls concessions that we know of, which is a little worrisome. Matt emphasized that we need to get a solution in place by next season.



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Old Town Lake

Town Council has agreed to use ARPA Funds (which should be \$80,000) for the restroom/storage building. Matt has signed the contract and Sharon will take it to Seufert's on Thursday. Tyler Mehringer is going to run the project.

The flag pole/sign/light for Baldy Weyer is complete. Tom said he can pick it up when he is over that way.

Miles Welp's project is complete. We need to sign off on that.

We have a couple of rentals lined for the OTL so need to get a few more tables out there.

Other News

Tom stated that the current Kubota the park is using is 20+ years old. Purchasing a new one needs to be brought up at a town meeting. Matt will put this in the park report and bring it up at the next town council meeting. We talked about quotes for this at our last park board meeting. Tom will follow up with Kubota to make sure on the price, which went up \$700 in 1 ½ months. We do get a government discount, which is 20% on new equipment.

Tammy explained our budgets to us and Jill said she would be happy to sit with Tammy to understand things better. Tom expressed concern that our parks are expanding but our budgets are decreasing.

Mike called Katherine about the Dragons of the Realm event but has not heard back. We have the lease with the dates but nothing else.

Chris James said that the Park and Rec program is a go for this summer. Recommended hires are Grace Schuetter and Gabey Gray. This will run from June 6 through July 19.

Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Natalie seconded. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 5:17 pm.

Next meeting is May 11, 2022 at 4:30 pm.

Minutes submitted on 10 May 2022
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