



PARKS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

October 11, 2023

Attendees

Matthew Weyer
Jill Schipp
Natalie Howard
Tom Lueken
Mike Steffe
Sharon Bohenkemper
Kennedy Staton
Michelle Kieper

The meeting started at 4:38 p.m. We read over the meeting minutes. Jill made a motion to approve the minutes; Mike seconded. All were in favor of approving the minutes. We read over the finances. Matt made a motion to approve the finances; Jill seconded; all were in favor.

Scouts

Kennedy Staton updated us on her human sundial project for 18th Street Park. She said they went to the park and etched it out in the location she would like to have it placed and it will work. She would like to place it by the basketball court in the upper parking area in a flat location. It will be able to be mowed over and there are no obstructions to worry about. She asked if we had any gravel they could use to bed the stone. Tom said yes. Kennedy stated that they would mow it before they started digging and would like to begin work the first or second weekend in November. Hedinger Stone did the etching for them on the stones they will be using.

5th Street Park

Jill went through the ideas the board suggested to add to the update to the overall plan for the park. She will submit this to Brett and they can revise the plan. Tom will also talk to Brett.

Jeff Durlauf has sod marked on the big field. Andy Rohleder is coming on Saturday to remove and excavate the mound. Once Tom gets the sod out, he will let Jeff know. Toddy Andry will come in to lay the new sod.

There is an old green plaque on the softball building. Matt is getting a quote for a new plaque.

Trisha sent tourney requests in; she has 5 dates, but there is one conflict. Jeff Warren has maybe 3. We might need to cut Trisha back to 3. Jasper charges \$25 per field per game. We need to lay out some expectations on who does what. Mike will write something up for expectations for us to review. If no one can operate the tournament, then we will not be able to host.

There is an area on the football field that is staying wet. Tom will investigate.

We are going to hold off on using Tenbarga for now.

Old Town Lake

We are still waiting to hear back from Emily on the invasive species issue. Emily did mention to Jill that there could be some available funds possible. Maybe between \$1000-\$2000.

We will be conducting an Invasive Species Day on November 11 from 9-12.

The YMCA Monster Dash will be going around the old town lake this year.

Splash Pad

Mike contacted Councilman-Hunsakerto see what the process would be to get started. We think there is money budgeted for next year to conduct a feasibility and cost study. This would help us estimate costs and recommendations. We would need to form a steering committee. Matt said that would be a good place to start for this type of project. Debbie said before that there is some money for us to get a study completed for the Splash pad. We will need to work with the Town Council to get this started.

Project List

Jill ordered 30 trees that will arrive in November. One is for Shirley Olinger which will be planted in a general area around the fishing pier at the Old Town Lake.

Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Natalie seconding; all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m. The next meeting will be November 8 at 4:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted on 31 October 2023

Natalie Howard

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Natalie Howard".