



## PARKS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

February 10, 2021

### Attendees:

Matthew Weyer  
Mike Steffe  
Natalie Howard  
Jill Schipp  
Tom Lueken

Eric Uebelhor with SP&F Football  
Craig Weyer with Girls Softball  
JR Roesner with boys Little League

The meeting started at 4:30 pm. The meeting was held at the Ferdinand Community Center. The board read over the minutes from the January meeting. Matt made a motion to approve, Mike seconded, all were in favor. The board read over the expenses from the January meeting. Mike made a motion to approve, Matt seconded, all were in favor.

### Leases

Mike announced the major lease holders in attendance. We need signed lease, proof of insurance and rate for players from each lease holder. Eric Uebelhor with SP&F Football said they would start practice in August. We will need dates so we can get a porta potty there. Eric said the field needs work. They also need a bigger building, especially for storm safety and a restroom facility. Matt said that he has spoken with Dean Daunhauer and there aren't any issues with putting a building on the property. The big issue is construction and utility cost. Matt asked Eric to put together a plan for needs. Matt said they would base the square footage off the soccer building and we will look into getting this going. We will need to work a cost estimate up and figure a plan of how to pay for it between SP&F and the Park Board.

JR Roesner said Little League sign-ups are open and will be until the end of February. Practices will start March 15 and games will start April 12 and end the first week of June. They are not planning on serving hot food from the concession stand, only pre-packaged items. They will be a little league all-star tourney June 25-27. They will be using the small softball field and their two baseball fields. They will look at Covid restrictions when the dates get closer.

They want to reset the bases and have talked with Brady Gunselman about doing this. They also want to remove the stationary mounds off of the big field and buy portable mounds. Little league will take care of purchasing these mounds.



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Craig Weyer with girls softball said they have registration open and will have sign up until the end of February. The girls will practice for one month and have games in April and May. They will have all-stars through July. They will follow local Covid-19 guidelines for the concession stand. Tom said he took down the netting on the batting cages and will be putting a new one up as soon as weather permits. Tom will mow the girls' fields. Craig asked for the lease date to be March 1 through October 1. Tom said they would like to put vertical netting up behind the back stops. Craig asked about the locks on the doors and Matt said we are looking at options. Matt will get pricing from for the door hardware; the punch code lock is not an option as too many people will share the code.

Ben Messmer with the horseshoe league said they will continue this year on Wednesday nights. The pits need new back boards and will look at getting some upgrades next season. He said the southside pits are getting washed out during big rains. Water comes over the road during the big rains. Tom will look into this.

Mike said Trisha Grass with travel softball has asked for 4 tournaments. Mike said he will update the calendar and schedule and send it out to all of those in attendance tonight.

### Shelter house lease

If a family has booked the shelter house and there is a tournament are we going to allow that? We don't need to prohibit the park from having tournaments but we also don't want to kick families out. The board tabled this discussion and should discuss further.

### COVID-19 items

Chris James and the council said they are going to continue cleaning the shelter houses. Right now the COVID Relief Plan pays for it.

### 18th Street Park

We have not heard anything about Rosenvolk.

Matt has a guy getting a quote for the basketball court. He is also checking on pickleball lines and other lines that may need to be added to the court.