

## Ferdinand Park & Recreation Board Minutes

Wednesday, May 4, 2016

Regular meeting of the Ferdinand Park & Recreation Board was held on Wednesday, May 4 at 4:33 p.m. In the Town Hall. Attending were Matt Weyer, Mike Steffe, Natalie Howard, Tom Lueken and Dolores Boeglin.

Girl Scout Troop 19 along with their leaders were present to discuss their proposal for a dog park in 18<sup>th</sup> St. Park. A survey was done with approximately 100 replies. Some of the comments were: would like for the park to be free; great addition to park; want separate area for small and large dogs; fantastic idea; would like obstacle course. The Scouts would get it up and running and then turn over to the park. The board gave them permission to proceed.

Minutes and expense reports were approved with a motion by Mike and second by Natalie.

Tom reported that the 5<sup>th</sup> St. shelterhouse was usable but needed some finishing touches such as painting, wiring and shelving.

Dolores made a motion to check into a card system for security at the park buildings with a second by Mike.

Chris James was asked to inform the LeBlancs to return to the June meeting concerning the Rosenvolk. Matt had voiced some concerns about fencing off area where alcohol was being served.

Project number for the Old Town Lake project is OTL2017. Dolores was asked to contact Amber Porter at Strand to see what progress was being made on the grant.

A discussion was held on the possibility of renting the shelterhouses at 5<sup>th</sup> St. separately. This year one lease will reserve both if necessary

Natalie is working with Demi Jahn and Anna Hagedorn to set up a summer recreation program.

Tom reported that the girls field (Carpenter Field) is in serious need of help regarding drainage. It floods and water will not drain off.

Colin Daunhauer was hired for the summer and will begin on June 1 on condition drug test is OK.

On the to-do-list, the basketball court surface is cracking and needs attention. Tom was asked to get a quote.

A concern was voiced about portable grilling at the parks. For safety and fire reasons the board felt permanent areas should be set up. This will be addressed with the leagues at the lease meeting in spring.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m. With next meeting on Wednesday, June 1.

  
Dolores Boeglin, Secretary