



MINUTES
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Monday, April 11, 2022, 5:30PM
Civic Stage

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by Board Chairman, Chad Reece. Board Members present: Missy Reynolds, Linda Keifer, Maurie Tomke, Mike Johnson. Also present were: Rec Superintendent Sue Edmondson, Park Superintendent Todd Espeland.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Motion made by Missy Reynolds. Second by Linda Keifer. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Motion made by Missy Reynolds. Second by Linda Keifer. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Aquatic Center Fields dugouts

- Board approved Aquatic Center Field dugouts via email vote
 - Work should begin in 2-3 weeks
 - Cost will be \$4,420 for materials and install

Motion made by Linda Keifer to use ESPN funds to pay for the dugouts at the Aquatic Center fields. Second by Mike Johnson. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Missy spoke with Brian Keely at Waldorf
 - They have no plans in the next 5 years to do anything with the Aquatic Center diamond area or the old diamond by the football field and said it was able to be used by Park and Rec
 - Missy will talk to Brian again to see if a contract can be written up to avoid any issues in the future

Box Scraper Proposal

- Todd has been working hard to maintain park roads
- Would be pulled behind the tractor
- Looking to purchase from D&L
 - Cost would be \$2,050

Motion made by Missy Reynolds to approve the purchase of the box scraper for \$2,050 from the Park budget. Second by Linda Keifer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Staff Addition Approval

- Todd looking to have someone deep clean the restrooms and shower house a couple times a week
 - Parks crew would still do a daily clean
- Board is all in agreeance that Todd hire someone for this position

Other New Business

- None

OLD BUSINESS

Rec Report, Sue

- Another successful year for the 34th Annual Alumni Tournament!
 - Seemed to be more of a reunion and comradery than in past years at all locations.
- Brett and Sue working on baseball/softball...Brett working on setting up league with Garner and Lake Mills and Sue working on putting teams together for Parks and Rec
 - Approximately 25 Parks and Rec Teams and 80 traveling league teams
- Lifeguards
 - Going to be a tough summer with shortage of guards as last year there were 23 and this year 14
 - Discussion of wages and incentives that are in place
 - Hours of operation
 - Lap swim from 8:00-9:00 a.m.
 - Lessons from 10:00-11 and 11:00a.m. - Noon
 - Open swim will be from 1:00-6:00 with no 5:00 lessons
 - Sue sending out a letter to guards and posting on FB on why hours are being changed, slide/boards being closed some days if necessary, etc.
- Summer brochure is in the works at North Iowa Designs
- Sue spoke to Mark Pleva last week
 - They need 60 degree weather to coat the gutters but will be up here this week to start up again

Park Report, Todd

- DNR Community Tree Grant was turned last week
 - Todd received an email that we were rewarded the full amount of \$
- Tree plant day hosted by Greg Heidebrink, DNR forester
 - May 24, rain date will be May 26
 - 20-40 volunteers from Winnebago and High School
 - Looking to do some garbage clean up, painting, and shingling
- Denied on the Paint Iowa Grant
- Merick Park being prepared for new playground equipment
- Working on parking areas at Dog Park and Pammel Park
- Rotary broom broke
 - Todd has looked into parts to repair
- Campground will officially open May 1
 - Shower house structures have been ordered and completed
 - Dump station will be set up for drinking water

ESPN Fund

- \$49,172.37
- Sue is going to call Kevin Sprecher about emptying can bins more often

Other Old Business

- Visioning
 - Pool entry sign added to the list
 - Todd will look into options to use as ground cover

ADJOURN

Motion by Missy Reynolds. Second by Maurie Tomke . Motion carried.