



PARKS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2020

Attendees:

Matthew Weyer
Mike Steffe
Natalie Howard
Jill Schipp
Tom Lueken

The meeting started at 4:30 pm. The board read over the minutes from the July meeting. Jill made a motion to approve, Mike seconded, all in favor. Reviewed finances from the July meeting. Mike made a motion to approve, Jill seconded, all in favor.

COVID-19 items

Tom suggested that ~~Chris~~^{mw} needs to step it up. The restroom and shelter house at 18th street were very dirty after Liniment League. The lady cleaning is not doing a good enough job. There were cigarette butts all over the shelter house floor at 5th street. The hand sanitizer stations were damaged and Chris was supposed to fix these. We are suggesting that the lady needs to text when she arrives to clean and text when she leaves. Brian says that she does not empty stuff and he wants to keep the reputation of the parks upheld.

Can we take the COVID yard signs out of the ground at parks? Can we just post signage in the provided frames. Matt will talk to Sharon about this.

General Discussion

Tom had a major issue during the Liniment League tourney. The sewer backed up and water ran into the concession stand. They tried 4 times before they were able to clear the pipe. There was a plastic bag stuck inside the pipe floating around. Tom is proposing to dig it out and put a 6-inch pipe in and take it straight to the manhole. Cost will be minimal and Roger will dig. We just have to take care of the grunt work.

Tom said we need a new mower. We were going to purchase one this spring but did not. Having issues with the grasshoppers. They can't get parts. Scott and Eric checked pricing. They can purchase a Kubota from Hopf Equipment for \$14,300 and a bagger for \$3,700. Can purchase a John Deere from Hutson for \$14,583.33 and bagger for \$3,100. We agreed that whatever Tom wants will be fine. Need to sell grasshopper and have best luck doing that by putting it by the road with a for sale sign.



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Leases

Kiwanis Soccer is scheduled to start in September. They have a COVID plan - social distancing, areas are marked off and may get rid of bleachers. AEDs are supposed to be at the soccer and football fields.

We do not have a lease from Rosenvolk yet. They have said they are cancelling.

YMCA t-ball finishes up Saturday.

Liniment league will be over in a few weeks.

Little League Fields

Mobel asked Kyle Greulich about what they needed and he sent them a wish list. He stated that he would like to rebuild the mound and home plate. May need to update the dugouts. Kyle will get with Brady Gunselman for some quotes. Need to make a document of what we need/want to give to Stan and meet with Stan at the fields.

Old Town Lake

Bird netting is in. Tom had Kendra order a net ring tool.

Delores is still going to talk with the Lange family.

We want to have a grand opening on September 26. Need to make sure and include Masterbrand and Delores. Talking about possibly getting Kona Ice to come in, have t-shirts made and ready to order/sell. May have activities like bubbles and sidewalk chalk for kids. We need to get a porta potty out there and need an address for Kona ice.

Shirley Olinger wants to make a donation to do something out there.

Need to get pricing for plaques for benches that we will mount on the top rail. Aluminum option looks best. Maybe put a memorial bench up by the high school in 18th street park. Put a 7x12 sign in the shelter house. Contact Hoosier Laser for this.

Matt made a motion to close the meeting, Mike seconded, all in favor. Meeting ended at 5:38 pm.

Natalie Howard