

Prairie City Park Board Commission

Wednesday, March 16, 2016

5:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order: 5:35 pm by Natalie Owens

Present: Brent Berger, Natalie Owens, Tami Ford, Trent Kain, Dan Downey, Emily Graber, Christy Lindsay, Rae Hegwood, Jeff Hegwood, Mindy Shaver, Lonny Wing, Jennifer Wing

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes and agenda by Berger 2nd by Ford. Motion approved

Pedal the Prairie Update:

- Rick Hager gave an update that the event is getting lots of interest.
- The park board should encourage people interested in vending at the entry park to contact Rick. There may be chair massages and a pie stand.
- There are 202 people signed up. 280 have selected 'going' on the event's facebook page. There are 1,800 interested.
- Rick appreciates any help in promoting.

Soccer Update:

- There may be a U8 team using the fields on Sundays this spring through June.
- The club plans to seed this spring and will aerate in the Fall.
- Jenny will contact Scott about the usage agreement.
- Lonny will purchase a keypad lock for the soccer concession stand. Can Trent install?

Little League Update:

- The Little League has a coach for every team.
- Coaches meeting is March 17.
- Registration may increase from avg. 22-24 teams to 30 teams because of REASON??
- Park Board should submit a bid for the concession stand equipment. They want a bid for all the equipment, not just some of it.
- Mindy is working on getting the edits to the scheduler.
- The schedule has some teams submitting 2 hour slots. Please revise to 1 hr. slots.
- Monroe approved their use agreement to match Prairie City fees.
- Little League cannot use old fields for games, because of bases. There was discussion about practice.
- The bases and wagons of Little Leagues will be moved to Shed 2 soon. There are discussion about making signs for which equipment is city equipment and which is Little Leagues. Manny can you make signs that read "City of Prairie City Equipment" and "For Little League Use Only" to post inside the shed?

Trent Update:

- The mower will be moved
- The electric outlets at the batting cages have been fixed.
- Trent asked about tearing off the roof at the city fields. Trent can you get an estimate of costs?
- The bathrooms will be de-winterized and opened within a few weeks.
- Trent have you heard back from Mary Schendel?
- April 22 in Earth Day. The National Honors Society will be doing a service event with the city. If there is any specific project for the students, please let Trent know.
- Grass will be planted on the Ice Rink area.

Budget Update:

- There is \$8,942 in the trust, after the \$1,000 expenditure for the “Trees Please” money.
- Trent recommended purchasing fewer balls for men’s league.
- The board discussed proceeding with a volunteer-build for the dugout covers. With \$6,500 set aside for the project, it was recommended to contact the \$5,000 donor to reach \$11,500. The estimate for the materials is \$10,356 for the 4 dugouts at the recreational complex. Tami to contact Scott to coordinate contacting Howard.
- Manny to provide a summary of fees collected from rental from last fiscal year for next month’s meeting.

Rec Complex Agreement Form Update

- Natalie provided the updated document.
- Lonny suggests having soccer fields included on the form. The board noted that because the equipment belongs to the soccer club, there would need to be an amendment for goals, etc.
- After appeal from community members, the board agreed to keep the Little League language in the guidelines. Little League practices and games, may mean an adjustment to the current schedule.

Dodgeball Tournament

- We do not have a total for the revenue
- Next year we should have volunteer slots for 6 refs, 1 time keeper, 1 score keeper, and a front table person.
- Lonny expressed that we should look at the rules for revision.
- Tami brought up the idea of having individual sign-up as an addition to team sign-up.

Park & Rec Scheduler Update

- Not present
- Lonny asked if April 4 is first date of soccer for DM League. The goals are not set. He is still waiting on parts.

Spring Tournament

- Berger noted that he went to the last community meeting. The concession duty is not Park Board responsibility.

Grant Update

- Manny did you apply for Jasper Foundation?
- The board should look at Casey’s and Hubbell grants.

New Business:**Summer Rec Director**

- Jen Turner has accepted the position and has identified a potential helper. They are still discussing how to expand the program, if there additional funds available.

Discussion Items:

- Tennis court crack.

Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm. Motion by Drake Ford 2nd by Berger.

Next Meeting:

April 20, 2016 at 5:30 pm at Council Chambers