

RESCHEDULED HARLAN PARKS & RECREATION BOARD – February 8, 2022

*** de-notes participating electronically via Zoom meeting.**

The Harlan Parks & Recreation Board met on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 12:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers and electronically via Zoom.

Present: Todd Berndt, Jeff Moser, EJ Leinen, *Sara Poepsel, Ladonna Havick

Absent: None

Also, Present: Gene Gettys, Julie Erickson, Tim Miller, Mike Kolbe, HMU Liaison Jenney Kelley, *Sharon Kroger, Jill Daeges

The meeting was called to order by Berndt. It was moved by Moser and seconded by Leinen to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Any conflicts of interest are to be stated if and when applicable. None.

It was moved by Leinen and seconded by Moser to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2022, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Lifeguard Recruiting, Staffing and Compensation (discussion only) -- Jill Daeges was present for discussion. Miller and Gettys shared a report that was compiled showing pool employee rates of pay for various small towns around the area. Discussion was held around ways to try to recruit and retain pool employees due to employee shortages over the past several years. More discussion will be held next month.

Monthly Financials – Pool & Parks (Information Only) – Miller stated one item of note for this month was a deposit for \$12,491 which was an insurance payment for pool skylights that were damaged in a storm over two years ago. The money will be used for pool tables/chairs.

Superintendent Report

- **Signs** – Posts are set to be done this week and weather permitting, will be placed in the next few weeks. Miller will give a report on any grant funding still available after all costs have been paid.
- **JJ Lighting** – Project is moving along and fundraising will begin after the batting facility is complete.
- **Dream Playground** – Close to having a conceptual plan to look at. Next meeting Tues, Feb 15th at Noon.

GRANTS UPDATES

- **SCCF Spring Grant – Due February 1st - Sara Poepsel submitted for \$6,000 3 signs and drinking fountains.**
- **Iowa West Foundation – 3 cycles per year April, August, and December 15th; notice of inquiry period**
- **Monogram Grant – Due May 31, 2022**
- **Wellmark MATCH – Due May 2022 \$100,000**
- **SCCC Grant – Due August 31st**
- **Wellmark MATCH – Due August 2022 \$25,000**
- **SCCF Fall Grant – Due September 1st**
- **IPRA Mini Grant – Due end of January (\$1,000)**

Other –

- Conversations are still underway regarding a possible well at JJ Jensen park for field irrigation.
- Miller called the City of Walnut regarding their splash pad and the amount of water usage.
- Miller reported on a possibility of utilizing an abandoned well from Merrill Field for water for the pool. This is just a conceptual idea at this point and is still in research phase.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 8, 2021, at Noon. There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

Julie Erickson, Recording Secretary

These minutes are subject to Board approval at the next regular meeting.