

January 14, 2021 Playground and Recreation Board minutes regular meeting

Recreation Board Members Present: John Levy, Maribeth Manigold, Phil McNally, Robert (Bud) Niles, Randy Orr, Steve Brenbarger, Ryan Cantlin (Mark Astle, Director of Recreation).

Others attending the meeting: Tami Koppen
Recreation Board Members Absent: Randy Bretag
Guests: None

1. Maribeth moved to approve December Recreation minutes. Steve B. second. Motion passed.
2. Phil moved to accept the December Recreation and Pool financial reports. Steve second. Motion passed.
3. Guests: None
4. Pool Manager's report – Pool closed.
5. Commissioner's Report: None
6. President's Report:
 - a. John expressed concern about a seeming disconnect between Commissioner Rodriguez and the board. He promised to reach out to the Commissioner. Tami noted that she is willing to bring info from the Commissioner to the board.
 - b. John asked Tami what she knew about the ice rink. Tami replied that the rink was damaged beyond repair.
7. Director's Report
 - i. Mark reported that there was no change in guidance from IDPH regarding playing basketball.
 - ii. Mark reported that Tim Trumbo resigned from being director of adult softball.
 - iii. Mark reported that he had been contacted by Mr. Gende regarding using Riordan soccer field for flag football in the spring. Mark had provided the appropriate forms to be filled out.
8. Old Business –
 - a. Outstanding committed money: None
 - b. Phil asked for feedback on the park information brochure information.
9. Long Range Planning and Board Goals
 - a. Construction in Progress – East Side Park equipment has been removed and leveling is underway.
 - b. Park Inspections – None
 - c. Long Range Plans (Kevin and Maribeth) – None
 - d. Bike Paths – Phil reported that both Rec and Starved Rock Cycling had paid their share of the bike lane painting.
10. Committee Reports
 - a. By-laws (Maribeth) - None

- b. Financial (Ryan, Kevin) – The board prioritized the list of possible projects for the board to consider undertaking in 2021. The following is a list of priorities for the board in 2020-21.
 - i. East Side Park basketball courts at approximately \$14,600
 - ii. Soft surface at E. Side Park approximately \$25,000
 - iii. Shade coverings at Hollywood. \$7,000 for small, \$13,000 for large.
 - iv. Maribeth motioned to approve the tentative budget. Phil second. Motion passed.
- c. Parks (Randy B., Robert, Steve, John) –
 - i. Phil explained the mowing bid from Rob Thompson. John moved that the board accept Rob Thompson’s mowing bid of \$11,000. Maribeth second. Motion passed.
 - ii. Phil reported that the electrical work at Ollum is nearly complete. He asked that the board approve \$1900 for bollards to protect the new electrical service. Steve B. moved. Ryan second. Motion passed.
 - iii. Phil reported on research he had researched the cost of repainting the weathervane sculpture at Thornton Park. His first bid was \$4,400, and we was searching for other bids. Phil motioned that the board spend up to \$4,400 to have the weathervane repainted. Maribeth second. Motion passed.
- d. Programs – (Phil, Randy O., and Maribeth) – none.
- e. Pool (John, Maribeth, Steve, Kevin)
 - i. John reported that he had a bid of \$2900 to remove asbestos from twelve common areas. This cost does not include asbestos covering the hot water tank because that asbestos is intact. Phil motioned to accept the bid. Robert second. Motion passed
 - ii. The board discussed the pool budget. John moved to approve the budget. Maribeth second. Motion passed.

11. New Business – none

Meeting adjourned.