

# MONTHLY MEETING

## January 20th 2025 - 5:30PM

Board Members: Seim, Fietek, Stromberg, Freeman, Irvine,

Present : Seim, Praska, Stromberg, Fietek, Irvine

Absent: S. Freeman

Community Guests: Patty Dahlen, Mike Helt, Waylon Lietz,, Jordan Hollingsworth, Mike Helt,, Amanda Pickar, Eugene Bossert, Nancy Thompson, Duane Berg

Meet Called to Order by: Ashley Seim

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes and Financials: 1- J. Stromberg 2- D. Irvine

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Community Building Committee Update**

Josh has not heard back from Foss with the updated renderings - the group will meet again once he hears back. Joseph would like to be a part of the meeting so he can get up to date on the project.

#### **Splash Pad Equipment Building**

Steve from My Aquatics has not come to install equipment. He stated this would happen before Christmas but he continues to delay the install. He said he is waiting on equipment. Misty told Steve she needs the invoice for this so that she can submit reimbursement from the grant which ends Jan 1. Misty will not be mailing the check until the work is complete however.

#### **Lease Agreement:**

No new news with lease agreements, the park board is waiting on the lawyers to look over the contract agreements before we proceed forward.

#### **Pool:**

Ashley talked with someone out of Hillsboro about their pool project - they had called her to hear about our pool project. She wasn't able to provide any information as we have many discussions yet to have regarding the pool.

Josh talked with Foss about getting quotes for a pool indoor/outdoor etc. with our rendering but has not received quotes yet.

The water table was brought up as an issue for the splash pad so that would need to be addressed if the pool was located out at the diamonds.

#### **Bookkeeping**

All checks will need double signatures. Nancy suggested having 4 individuals as signers in the event anyone is gone. Her suggestion: 2 from city office, 2 from park district,

The city wants all deposits to come through the city so that all receivables are accounted for and organized properly.

Joe suggested timesheets have an area to explain the type of work/time frame to help distinguish where labor dollars are being spent. Nancy explained different ways the city has implemented this type of documentation.

Motion to have Misty Praska and Ashley Seim; Nancy Thompson and Amanda Pickar as signers/access to all park district accounts; 1. J. Fietek 2. D. Irvine

## **Baseball Contracts**

Contracts were included in this meeting to discuss the need to get things in place prior to the start of the 2025 summer season.

Ashley Seim provided copies of financial information in relation to the income/expenses for baseball. She expressed the need to have contracts in place for all entities who use the baseball complex due to it being necessary to set all entities up for success and to prepare for the high school spring regional baseball tournament and state legion tournament this upcoming spring/summer. Contracts would be for PRAS, baseball boosters, and legion baseball. Each will look different based on multiple variables. She explained the role the baseball booster plays; that being: they get the registration income and concessions in exchange for handling all aspects of baseball including paying and staffing coaches for each level, handling tournament scheduling, planning, organizing and running concessions, etc. The park board has received the admissions in the past for tournaments in order to generate revenue to maintain the complex; single game admission has never been implemented due to staffing difficulty concerns. Conversations have begun regarding who will run and earn revenue from gate admissions for the legion tournament. Ashley stated that the spring high school baseball tournament will be set up differently because the state will receive the money for tournament admissions per NDSHAA so this conversation will not be necessary for the high school tournament. Each contract will be unique to its entity because of the differences in usage, involvement and other relevant information.

Jordan expressed that the sons of legionnaires loses money on legion every summer and needs to make the most of the tournament so that they can continue to provide legion baseball. Josh Stromberg, Jordan Hollingsworth will be the legion/sons of legion representative reps. Sons will meet on January 11th. Ashley will contact Jeremy to get a meeting setup prior to the legion monthly meeting for discussion regarding the booster contract. Misty asked about fees for registration as she was absent for the prior booster meeting.

Baseball Fees:

Tiered: No Early Bird Registrations \$30 - 6u \$50 - 8u \$75 -10u/12u \$100 - Babe Ruth/Softball

## **Financials**

Motion to Approve Bills 1. J. Fietek 2. J. Stromberg

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

Mike Helt asked about what the 100 acres encompasses so that it is clearly stated and all know exactly which land is referenced in the lease agreements. Ashley stated it refers to the land below the pool, along the river before the golf course, the dog park land, the 2 diamonds and grass area near the coliseum. The golf course and coliseum fall within that 100 acres however, those two entities have their own lease agreements. The park district maintains the grass located near the coliseum and will continue to do so; that is the extent of their involvement with the coliseum.