

Evansdale Park & Recreation Meeting

Monday, August 7, 2017

- 1) Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Tom Nichols

Roll call: Present: Tom Nichols, Travis Nichols, Rick Nolan, Brad Carrier. Absent: Ron Kettwig.

- 2) **Approval of August 7, 2017 agenda:** Motion Travis, 2nd Brad. Motion carried.
- 3) **Approval of June 26, 2017 Special Meeting and the July 10, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes:**
Motion: Travis, 2nd: Brad. Motion carried.
- 4) **Approval of bills and authorization to pay:** Motion: Brad, 2nd Travis. Motion carried.
- 5) **Monthly Reports:**
 - A) **Mowing Contract:** The front side of Deerwood Park has been cleaned up. The backstop at Gardner Park is in poor condition. Tom will ask the city to take it down. Tom reports that everything looks good.
 - B) **Campground Maintenance:** An employee resigned from the campground mowing position. Campground maintenance is up to date. We will have the remaining employee pick up an extra two hours per day. This should get us through this camping season. Travis will ask City Hall for paperwork requirements to have two people work as needed to mow and cut firewood.
 - C) **Treasurer's report:** paid Artic Ice \$122.05, Natel Internet \$3,535.35. Deposit for wood, \$636, ice \$160, and Washland \$109.55, total deposit \$905.55. Balance \$12,122.12.
 - D) **Camp Ground Collections:** YTD total \$122,464.
- 6) **Angels Park Bridge / wall:** Mayor Faas is applying for a grant to repair the block wall. We should know if it is approved by mid-September. There is \$17,000 remaining from an old Reap grant. If we do not get the new grant, we will use this to repair as a sloped bank.

There was discussion on the new bridge at the City Council meeting. Some council members were not satisfied with the style and size of the bridge. A pre-cast bridge concept was approved by the Park Board in July, however the council prefers earlier concepts of a clear span bridge. We reviewed estimates for a clear span and a boardwalk style bridge. Brad made a motion to recommend the boardwalk style bridge with an option for wire cables. Second by Travis. Motion carried.

- 7) **Deerwood Wi Fi:** Natel repositioned some antennae's, re-installed some of the old omni style, moved some to the Benhoff addition, and one to the dock area. The first night, Brent was able to watch a movie on Netflix. John was able to watch Hulu with a booster on. We have not yet added the password option. There are still some problem areas, even during the week with a low volume of campers.

- 8) **Authorization to post maintenance position and hire:** We will use two people as needed for the remainder of the season, and post in February.
- 9) **Authorization to purchase movie equipment in an amount not to exceed \$500:** We will need to get a permit to show movies, Rick will apply. Rick made a motion, 2nd by Brad, to spend up to \$600 to purchase movie equipment. To be paid from the Friends of the Park fund. Motion carried.
- 10) **Authorization to purchase a popcorn machine in an amount not to exceed \$250:** We can get a 12 ounce bag popcorn machine for \$250. Travis made a motion to spend up to \$250 for a popcorn machine, paid from the friends of the park fund. 2nd by Rick, motion carried.
- 11) **Authorization to repair the merry go round.** The part that broke is what goes in to the ground. No warranty. \$400 for the part only, plus freight. Travis will check on the broken cable. Brad made a motion to pay \$400 plus freight, from 6310 – building grounds and maintenance. 2nd by Rick, motion carried.
- 12) **Discussion:**
- A) Tom questioned the accuracy of the budget sheet and will ask DeAnne to review.
 - B) Deerwood Park campground, Labor Day, potential bags tourney, popcorn and a movie.
 - C) Halloween in the Park, advertised on our Facebook page as October 7th, will now be October 13-14..
 - D) Friends of the Park fund will need to be changed. New state guidelines require a budget, with end of the yaer surplus going in to the general fund. We need to fill out and apply for a 501C3 tax exempt nonprofit status. Rick will get the paperwork and fill it out.
 - E) Mitch Evans performed at Deerwood. We have a charge of \$125 for 5 hours. 3 hurs to play, 2 hours for set up and tear down.
 - F) Why do we subcontract mowing? Equipment, trailers, insurance, manpower costs are all deterrents..
- 13) **Motion to adjourn** by Rick, 2nd by Brad. Motion carried. Adjourned at 8:01.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Nolan

