

Minutes

Parks & Recreation Committee

February 3, 2014

5:30 PM

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by Chair LaBudda
2. Roll Call – Members present were Tiffany Kramer, Jan Block, Chair Shane LaBudda, Mark Schroeder and City Administrator Steve Winger
3. Motion by Jan Block, Second by Tiffany Kramer to approve minutes from September 3, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.
4. Kent Cohen was not present for discussion. The committee is ok with improvements to dugouts at baseball fields, but anything other than superficial improvements the committee would like more discussion. Batting cages pads have been poured but not completely installed yet.
5. City Administrator Steve is working with Strand and Joel Ames to get property deeded over to the city. Real close. Need to get information to Register of Deeds. Reuter family is giving the City a portion of land as well to complete the trail. City Administrator Steve has found 2 grants to apply for to assist with funding the trail - RTA Grant and Safe Routes to School. Block suggested UW Platteville Engineering students may be of some assistance. City Administrator Steve has a meeting with SW Regional tomorrow.
6. The ice rink is up and running at the bottom of Cherry Street across from the Volleyball Courts. There are a few rough spots and City has been keeping it clear of snow. Size is regulation size of hockey rink.
7. City purchased computer software League Tool Box to assist with Summer Recreational planning. Allows everything to be found online, payments, registration, schedules, and coach information as well as description of sports and the concussion release form. Hope to have site up and running completely by February 11.
8. Shane asked how many summer rec. scholarships were awarded...a dozen or so are awarded each year depending on the amount of funds available. The question was brought up regarding lap swim as to why the lanes are short ways and not long ways. The trail the Eagle Scouts developed is a great asset to the Lancaster community. Was hoping to establish cross country ski trails on the golf course. Can get grooming equipment for around 2000.00.
9. City Administrator Steve will bring the Parks and Recreation Budget to next meeting. The pool is in need of some equipment maintenance – the boiler is having mechanical issues. Will fix to get by this year need to budget replacement for 2015. Hopefully next meeting Jeff and Sarah Pross would be able to attend.
10. Meeting motioned by Mark Schroeder to be adjourned at 6:30 PM, second by Jan Block. Meeting adjourned.

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March 3, 2014

5:30 PM

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:29 PM by Chair LaBudda
2. Members present were Tiffany Kramer, Jan Block, Chair Shane LaBudda, Administrator Steve Winger and excused absent was Mark Schroeder.
3. Motion by Jan Block, Second by Tiffany Kramer to approve minutes from February 3, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.
4. Kent Cohen, Kevin Kelley, and Bart Straka present to discuss Youth Baseball Request. Group formed January 2012 to help promote baseball and softball. First goal was an indoor batting cage which was constructed in the Eckstein Building. Second goal was to get outdoor batting cage which the pad and environment is ready for cage to be set up this year. The group has donated funds to Veteran's Memorial and the Eckstein Building to give back to community. Third goal is to improve the diamonds at the City Park and the High School. Dugouts need repairs/replaced, tubing for fencing, outfield shrubs planted, foul poles and long term goal, press box. Jeff Pross suggested clay in the batting boxes and pitcher mounds, and that the remote box may need to be replaced at large diamond. Group will get costs and prioritize projects and get back to committee.
5. Budget was passed out. Questions as to what amount is available to fund the Youth Baseball Projects and what amount was left due to tree sales and will those funds be replenished. Information will be made available by Administrator Steve Winger at next meeting.
6. There are four standards that need to be met to make Lancaster a Tree City USA; create tree board, establish a tree care ordinance, community forest budget, and Arbor Day observance.
7. Trail Update: Real close to getting land deeded over by Joel Ames. The Plan Commission needs to approve deeded property, City Council to approve and should be accomplished by end of March or April. Reuter property will be deeded at a later time. Contiguous land ownership will increase chances to receive grants.
8. Needs to be resurfaced this year. Floor in bathhouse needs to be redone. Would like to purchase a cleaner to bathhouse floor that could be utilized in other areas during off season. Boiler will need replaced in future.
9. Will have only morning swim lessons this year and water aerobics will be three days a week.
10. Programs will operate the way they did last year.
11. Lancaster Jaycees would like to use the large diamond for Pitch Hit and Run April 26, 2014 from around noon to three in the afternoon.
12. Aja has some questions about scholarships. Will email Tiffany with questions. When swimmers pass a level Mrs. Pross gives certificates to Aja at end of completion. Also suggested swim team no longer be separate and join funds back with City.
13. Meeting motion to be adjourned by Tiffany Kramer at 6:59 PM, second by Jan Block. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes

Parks & Recreation Committee

June 2, 2014

5:30 PM

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chair LaBudda
2. Members present were Tiffany Kramer, Chair Shane LaBudda, Administrator Steve Winger, Mark Schroeder, Sandy Buschbom, and guest Dave Timmerman.
3. Motion by Tiffany Kramer, Second by Chair LaBudda to approve minutes from March 3, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.
4. SW Regional planning – updating plan costs \$7,770.00 for five years. Suggested to get a few more bids. Proposal will be emailed to members for review – this may be something members can update. Members should review plan for July meeting.
5. No additional information. Mark Woods is donating funds for shelter by batting cage
6. Really close to completing land acquisition. Once complete, the next phase is to look for grants. Hope to start dirt work this summer. Safe Routes to School grant is 100% if awarded. Path will not touch practice football field.
7. Tree sale balance, \$0.00. There are zero funds left. Some funds were used for Baus Park. Klondyke Investments are in General fund as well as Park Fund Investments.
8. Pool opens Saturday.
9. Meeting motion to be adjourned by Mark Schroeder at 6:18 p.m., second by Sandy Buschbom. Meeting adjourned.

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Parks & Recreation Committee

September 2, 2014

5:30 PM

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by Chair LaBudda
2. Members present were Tiffany Kramer, Chair Shane LaBudda, Sandy Buschbom, and John Hauth.
3. Motion by Tiffany Kramer, Second by Sandy Buschbom to approve minutes. Motion Carried.
4. Payton Lolwing redid the entrance sign for an Eagle Scouts project. Very well done. He would like to put a sign with his name, troop number and date completed near sign. He spoke to a gentleman who quoted \$100 for a rock/plaque. Would like the City to split costs or cover entirely. Payton will speak to City Administrator Steve Winger.
5. SW Regional planning costs \$7770.00 – too costly for what we need. Will come up with alternate options.
6. & 8. City does not have a leash law. There is a city ordinance in City Parks to have your dog on a leash. There is some land on the East side of Baus Park or by the Volleyball courts that could be fenced for a dog park. It is a belief that few people would use a fenced in dog park. No action will be taken at this time.
7. It was requested for handicap equipment at Memorial Park. There is plenty of space for the equipment. John will get more information and costs and get back to the committee.
8. See number 6 above
9. There is a rivet on a flag pole at the Dewey Memorial Monument that needs replaced as well as the sign needs re-stained. The new dugouts at both baseball diamonds should be completed by this fall. There was a bad fence at Klondyke Park and the City took care of replacing and moving it. Discussed trailers in driveways and public streets – need to be moved every 72 hours.
10. No information to discuss
11. Meeting motioned to be adjourned by Tiffany Kramer at 6:08 PM, second by Sandy Buschbom. Meeting Adjourned.

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Parks & Recreation Committee

October 6, 2014

5:30 PM

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Shayne LaBudda
2. Members present were Shayne LaBudda, Mark Schroeder, Jan Block and Tiffany Kramer
3. Motion by Jan Block to approve Minutes, second by Shayne LaBudda. Motion carried.
4. Not ready to bear all of the cost for the equipment. Hoping to get some donations. Committee will wait for more information.
5. No need for action regarding leash requirements for Schreiner Park nor any other City park.
6. Not attending staff
7. Meeting motioned to be adjourned by Tiffany Kramer at 5:40 p.m., second by Mark Schroeder. Meeting adjourned.

Tiffany A. Bielenberg Kramer, CFSP