

**City of Lancaster
Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes
May 4, 2020**

1. Call meeting to order - 545
2. Roll call – All present
3. New Member Introduction – Missy Sperle is welcomed to the committee tonight.
4. Approve Meeting Minutes of 3-2-2020 – Nate moves to approve, Reuter 2nds. – Motion carries, all for.
5. Discussion of Summer Park and Rec Activities - Varnam
6. Mayor Varnam is the designated official to decide if summer rec will proceed for the summer or not. He is waiting as long as possible to decide if we will proceed or not. He wants to wait for the supreme court decision that will come this week. The mayor would like to wait 1-2 more weeks.
 1. Block inquires as to which other cities have cancelled their programs, etc.
 1. Some other cities have cancelled summer rec; LaCrosse has closed the pool. There will likely be guidelines coming out with
 2. Reuter questions if there is a number guideline of so many people or less, would we still open the pool. The Mayor states that will depend on the number and we want to open if at all possible.
7. CIP Discussion –
 1. Courtney prepared and presented 4 grant applications to the community fund which relate to Parks and Rec activities. Matching funds all are previously approved from the city council.
 1. Memorial Park Warming House updates & ADA compliant bathrooms.
 2. Pool Bathhouse – updated amenities, toilets, old bathhouse, etc.
 3. Fishing Pier – Repairs & Sidewalk from fishing pier to connect to the trail.
 4. Extending the Trail between the 2 ball diamonds for ADA compliance.
 2. Block questions Rock Spring Bathrooms, slated for 2021, Mr. Carlson states due to the pandemic and budgetary changes related to it, there will likely be a need to change plans for 2021 expenditures.
 3. Klondike Park is in need of some pretty extensive repairs. Likely needs to be added to the CIP.
8. Process for updating Five Year Outdoor Park and Rec Plan
 1. Completing makes us eligible for DNR grant funding.
 2. Gives a good mechanism for improvements to present to council.
 3. Mr. Carlson recommends each one of the members of the committee tour each of the facilities to have an idea of what is going on in each place.
 4. Updating Process includes
 1. WHERE HAVE WE BEEN
 2. WHERE ARE WE GOING
 3. WHAT DOES THAT TAKE
 5. Consensus is Mr. Carlson and Courtney will start by gathering some information through Facebook posts and then create a survey about the future projects and plans. Idea being the results would be out to committee 1 week prior to next meeting.
9. Gun Range Usage – Tiffany needs more information regarding the size of the parcel, zone, requirements et. Mr. Carlson believe the biggest concerns are related to the management of the range. Will need to determine what the city's liability insurance would require before putting a lot more time into the project at this point.

1. Next Step: Mr. Carlson to look into insurance requirements and bring back to committee.
10. Baus Park Lighting Update - Reuter – application did not go in, city had other projects that were of higher priority. Will plan to submit to November deadline.
11. Committee Comments – none
12. Future agenda items –
 1. Pickleball courts – school owns the court, city participates in the maintenance – Mr. Carlson to follow up with Rob Wagner on the school's interest in painting one court for pickleball.
13. Adjourn – 0626 – Karmar – motions, Block second- all in favor.

Next meeting July 6, 2020 5:45