



Wednesday, September 9th, 2020
Centennial Center Lobby
722 West 15th Street
Grafton, ND 58237
5:15 p.m.

Minutes:

- I. Call to Order by Scott Hills at 5:15 PM
- II. Board Members Present:
 - A. Board Members Present: Scott Hills, Cory Burns, Jessica Tanke, Jon Jelinek
 - B. Board Members Absent: Ryer Stark
 - C. Staff Present: Bill Dahl, Matt Oppegard, Todd Janikowski
 - D. Public Present: Todd Morgan
- III. Scott asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. No changes were made.
- IV. Scott asked for an approval of the minutes from the August 12th Park Board Meeting. Cory made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 12th Park Board Meeting. Jon seconded, motion passed all approved. Scott asked for a motion for the authorization of expenditures as listed. Cory made a motion to approve the expenditures. Seconded by Jon, motion passed all approved to pay bills as listed. Copies of the July and August bank statement reports were presented to the board for review.
- V. Reports:
 - A. Recreation Manager
 - i. Matt reported that Fall Soccer will conclude on Thursday, September 17th.
 - ii. The corn maze corn hole tournament will be Saturday, September 19th. Registrations will start at Noon and the tournament will start at 12:30pm. Last Chance will be running a bar at the corn hole tournament and Red Pepper food truck will also be there that weekend. Groovy Grub will be at the corn maze this weekend.
 - iii. Fall Hockey Camp starts Monday, October 5th. Registrations are online now.
 - iv. Gymnastics and Figure Skating registrations will be online next week.
 - B. Director
 1. Parks
 - i. Bill reported that the Army Core of Engineers will not permit the additional fill needed to construct the boat ramp in Leistikow Park. North Dakota Game and Fish have reduced the scope of the project. They will cut back the bank to create a more gradual slope to the river and install a dock. The ND Game and Fish has the project scheduled for the spring, but may be able to complete it this fall if other projects are completed ahead of schedule.
 - ii. Corn Maze will open Saturday, September 12th. The maze is mostly set up with only a few finishing touches left. This year the maze has a veterans theme and \$1 of every admission will be donated to the Walsh County Veterans Memorial Foundation.
 - iii. The Leistikow Park road repair has been completed and came in \$1,300 less than estimated.
 2. Campground:

- i. Pipeline workers are still calling for sites. Currently there are 15 campers currently in sites that will need to move out to make room for Express Employment's harvest workers.
 - ii. Express Employment harvest workers have been arriving the last couple of weeks. Most of the workers will arrive around September 23rd.
 - iii. Bill presented a copy of the year-to-date profit/loss for the campground. As predicted the campground revenue is up \$5,500 from this time last year, but with higher expenses the campground net income is only \$500 ahead of this time last year.
 - 3. Pool:
 - i. The pool pump parts have arrived with the new impeller. The pool pump will be rebuilt this spring.
 - 4. Athletic Fields:
 - i. The park staff noticed that the fence at 8th Street Diamond was curling up in the outfield. Pictures of the fence damage were taken and sent to Dakota Fence. Dakota fence explained that they have seen that before and it is caused by people using the fence for batting practice. Keith was discussing the issue with a baseball parent who explained that their kid's group had taken batting practice against the fence at 8th Street Diamond. The repair estimate was sent to the coach and he has been told to not do that again. Coaches will be reminded next year that the outfield fences are not for batting practice and that there are batting cages at the Chandler and Complex Fields.
 - 5. Arenas
 - i. The ice plant is scheduled to start up on September 24th.
 - ii. Todd noticed that the leak detection alarm on the ice plant was activated. Midwest Refrigeration inspected and found 5 gaskets that were leaking. The Freon was pulled from the system and stored in tanks while the leaking gaskets were replaced. The system was recharged with no additional Freon. Bill will check with Zero-Zone to see if there is any warranty left on the system.
 - 6. Elmwood:
 - i. Bill reported that Elmwood has seen a few rentals in the last couple of months. The Elmwood board is looking for alternative fundraisers and will run their spaghetti feed as to-go orders like they did for Rhubarb Fest.
 - C. Business Manager
 - i. Matt presented the year-to-date profit/loss for all accounts. Matt pointed out that the total net income is down \$3,800 compared to this time last year. Matt explained that program income is down \$5,900. Hopefully we see that number shrink when the Fall/Winter programs are open for registrations. Matt explained that the pool net loss was \$5,900 greater than last year with a total net loss of \$15,000. The shortened season and the pandemic resulted in fewer season pool passes and fewer daily admissions.
 - ii. Matt presented the final reading of the 2021 budget. Matt explained the amount of mills that are being levied in each fund and how the building fund is being allocated. The board reviewed and discussed the 2021 budget. Jess made a motion to accept the final reading of the 2021 budget. Jon seconded the motion, motion passed all approved.
- VI. Old Business:
 - VII. New Business:
 - VIII. Public Comments:
 - IX. Adjournment: Jon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cory seconded the motion, motion passed all approved. Meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.