Meeting minutes for 8-19-2020

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm. Present were Gary Reaman, Ashley Luft Brian Brucato, Lindsey Hoekstra and Matt Sandstrom.

Public comment began with Frank Koehler and members of PPA. They gave an update on the project and it’s funding. With a shortage of funding and some funding contingent on the projects progress: an alternate more affordable kayak launch estimate was presented. Questions were asked and answered and discussions took place. Next a letter to consider a sponsorship for a toddler to a beauty pageant was presented. After discussion, it was decided that no action would be taken.

Consent agenda began with a motion being made, seconded and voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes from the July 2020 meeting. Motion passed. A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to approve the bills as presented. Motion passed. A motion was made seconded and voted unanimously to approve the Budget for the 2020/2021 year.

Staff report by Ann Cobb began with asking if there were any questions for the sake of expediency. She stated that everyone knew how hard the staff was working. Painting the skate park equipment was mentioned as a project the staff could do. Skate Park options and freshening were discussed.

President Gary Reaman began with all the complements on the car show. The public was asking for more of that type of activity combine with music. The event was a group effort that was very successful. In light of the uptick in vandalism, looking into a higher quality and expandable system was recommended. Mr. Brucato would make contact with contractors and send them over for estimates.

Secretary Lindsey Hoekstra asked about Board Member terms of service and the 2021 Consolidated Election. Mrs. Cobb relayed the information given to her by the County Clerk which was to go to the State Board of Elections website and see if their questions could be answered there.

Activity Director Matt Sandstrom asked about Treasurer Brian Brucato’s agenda item of having Island Park close at dusk to match the other parks. Currently Island Park has a closing time of 10:00 that matches Conrad Park at the beginning of Mill St. No further discussion on the matter took place.

A new rental rate schedule was presented and discussed for the 2021 season.

Treasurer Brian Brucato asked if everyone was on board with Island Park closing at dusk. Mr. Brucato was also impressed with the car show and wanted to know how the Park District would be able to have more of them. Mrs. Cobb’s only concern was spreading out the frequency of such events in regards to the grass and possible damage with too much use.

Mrs. Sandstrom asked about the next Movie in the Park and the movies on hand were presented and the movie licensing discussed. Indoor options would be limited with the weather change. The question was raised if anyone was aware if Bordertown Hauntings would be taking place and what the Park District could do in conjunction with it. A Car Show combined with a Trunk or Treat event would be researched.

A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 8:05 pm.