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PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

October 8, 2014

Brillion Community Center

4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: Al Ebert called the meeting to order at 4:06 PM.

ROLL CALL: Present were Al Ebert, Dennis Miller, Dawn Dietrich, and Alderperson Bob Brick. Also present were City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Lori Gosz and Recreation Director/Aquatic Coordinator Ann Marx. Absent were Andy Geiger, Mark Rajkovich, Joe Behnke, and Mayor Gary Deiter.

GUESTS:

Sarah Pielhop.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion – Miller moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Brick. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 17, 2014 REGULAR MEETING:

Motion – Miller moved to approve the September 17, 2014 Regular Park & Recreation Commission meeting minutes. Seconded by Brick. Motion carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

No Report.

VISITORS:

None.

DIRECTOR REPORTS:

A. Parks:

1. Optimist Club – Horn Park Project:

Sarah Pielhop of the Brillion Optimist Club was present to explain the Optimist Club would like to donate towards projects for Horn Park to make it a standout from the other parks in the City.

She explained they are proposing a splash pad for Horn Park. She explained there is an issue of supplying water to the splash pad. There would need to be a dedicated water lateral. Also, the ongoing cost of water each year, which the cost is estimated at \$4,622 each year. She explained the splash pad would not be a recycled water system, which would cost approximately \$15,000 per year.

Pielhop explained there are grant opportunities for this type of recreation equipment. She will look into this. She explained the entire project is \$150,000 which includes 10 water features. She is optimistic that the Optimist Club can raise the funds through donations and grants, but needs to know if the City can continue the \$4,622 per year water cost. Once the laterals is in it allows for other opportunities for the park, i.e. restroom in the pavilion. If the Park & Recreation Commission uses the lateral for other uses, Pielhop suggested the Park & Recreation Commission help with this cost.

Pielhop explained the idea of having pavers around the edge of the pad in which people can donate towards to help offset costs.

Pielhop explained the Optimist Club has \$10,000 dedicated to Horn Park. She stated this project may be 2-3 years before it can be done. Miller suggested Pielhop keep planning and bring firmer figures back for the Park & Recreation Commission to review. Pielhop left the meeting at this time.

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Discussion followed on whether or not to continue the investigation. Miller voiced concern of the annual maintenance cost. Marx suggested it might cause more congestion during park rentals. The ash trees would need to come down, annual costs, and cost of laterals. It was agreed to let Pielhop know that this Commission would rather see more playground equipment with a feature theme.

2. EAB/Tree Update:

Marx reported on the EAB treatment done by Jill Braun.

B. Recreation:

1. Programming:

Marx reported the dance classes will be starting soon.

She explained we are still looking for fitness instructors. She suggested offering some type of incentive to get instructors here to teach. She suggested including classes in the monthly membership like the YMCA does. The Commission agreed.

Marx will bring back an option for the Commission to consider at the next meeting.

C. Aquatics:

1. Patron Comparison Report:

Patron count is down.

2. Pool Project - Update:

Marx reported the pool project will begin after the first of November. She explained the schedule for the contractors. Marx explained the painting contractor has offered to use his lift to help with the ceiling tile replacements. Marx suggested volunteers to help.

3. Pool Edge Quote:

Marx explained quotes she received for the pool edging. This was not included in the original bids. This would help over the rust on the edge of the pool. Kocourek's quote of \$2,700 is for both pools. Marx will check on this.

Motion – Miller moved to go with the Kocourek quote of \$2,700. Seconded by Dietrich.

Discussion followed on other projects that could happen through donations as a result of this pool project.

Motion carried.

D. Community Center:

1. Facility Reports:

Reviewed by the Commission

2. Funding/Budget:

Marx suggested the Park & Recreation Commission consider ideas to fund raise for future projects to help offset the budget.

3. Ventilation Issue:

Marx reported on the ventilation concern in the basement, between the rooms. It all depends on how the new boilers will work. She will bring back more information after the heaters are back on line.

OLD BUSINESS:

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Miller reported the roof repairs at Horn Park. He received a quote from Calaway Home Improvements; \$4,350 for the Open Shelter to take off and replace. For the bathrooms the cost would be \$2,150. Miller will get another bid for the November meeting for action.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion – Miller moved to adjourn. Seconded by Brick. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:46 PM.

Lori Gosz
City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer