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## **PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING**

**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**21 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET E, MANTORVILLE, MN 55955**  
**TUESDAY July 25, 2023**  
**6:30pm**

- 1. Call to Order:** Vice Chairmen Henry Blair called meeting to order at 6:32 pm.
  - a Members Present for Quorum:** Lyle Hoaglund, Henry Blair, Matt Wohlenhaus, Martha Vrieze
  - b Members Absent:** Mike Peck, Brad Germundson, Jessica Bradford
  - c Guest Present:** Joe Adams, Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Arnold
  
- 2. Adopt the Agenda:** Agenda Adopted
  
- 3. Approval of Minutes**  
06.27.2023 – Member Lyle Hoaglund moved. Member Matt Wohlenhaus seconded.  
Passed
  
- 4. New Business**
  - A. Review 2023 budget
    - a No Changes.
  - B. Discuss 2024 budget
    - a **Joe Adams:**
      - i Requesting ideas regarding the final budget. He hopes to have the final budget completed by the end of the next Park Board Meeting.
      - ii Waiting on contractor to get back on wrap for covered bridge.
      - iii Wants to look into pricing for redoing the outfield at Mantor Field. Where was tile was put is sinking causing very uneven ground. Spoke with Jason W. who says they would need to till, drag, then seed the field. Reaching out to contact at KM High School who had the same issue. Vice Chairmen Henry Blair asks if we have enough in the budget to complete this coming fall.
      - iv Garbage cans, steel mesh. The exact matching for shipping is \$1,635.00 right now. Two are needed. Joe Adams is going to look more into pricing.
      - v Dennison EDA, Tree Management, and Hockey Ring each needs \$5,000.00 put away.
    - b **Member Martha Vrieze:**

- i Asking if there is any reason, we aren't selling advertisement in the outfield on the baseball courts. Automatic return, low maintenance. Boards would be secured to the fence. Member Martha Vrieze agreed to take lead and come up with pricing, contracts, and connect with Council for approval. Vice Chairmen Henry Blair stated the advertisement would need to be approved by the board.
- ii Member Martha Vrieze ask if there is a budget for pickle ball if the MRA matches it 50/50. Joe Adams states the total budget is needed prior to answering that question. The new 57 project is going to cause the budget to get tighter. Vice Chairmen Henry Blair asked is the popularity of pickleball would stay, example badmitton. Member Martha Vrieze states the courts are multi use, tennis, basketball, etc. Joe Adams will get price on how much a court will cost.
- c **Donation (\$8,500.00 from Jerry R.)**
  - i Joe Adams confirmed this donation has been held for park use. Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Arnold confirmed a letter was sent to Jerry asking if he'd like donation sent for anything, no response has been received.
  - ii Discuss was had regarding using donation for redoing Mantor Field. Vice Chairmen Henry Blair states this should not be used for repair, but improvement. As Jerry was known for baseball, this should be used for baseball.
  - iii Discussion had to use donation for lighter score board.

## 5. Old Business

- A. Hockey Rink/Basket Ball Court
  - a Joint Ventures on July 27, 2023. Member Matt Wohlenhaus mentioned Mark Matuska request for Hockey Rink to be full sized with the ability to host tournaments. This would be much more expensive. This would require a Zamboni, worker for Zamboni, heated shed. This doesn't look like a current possibility.
- B. Covered Bridge
  - a The gates are half completed. They just need to be painted. Joe Adams is going to reach out to Brad to coordinate. ARPA is paying for the labor; the steel has already been paid. Painting for the horse sign has started.
  - b Member Matt Wohlenhaus wants to acknowledge the bridge looks really good.
  - c Member Martha Vrieze mentions wanting to move over to Goose Island to start cleaning it up.
- C. Grants
  - a Hanson Family Foundation Grant \$1,500.00 is for Hockey Rink/Basket Ball court.
- D. Riverside Park
  - a Frisbee Golf will be placed once Art in the Park is done.
- E. Campground
  - a One dispute over campground location. This was resolved.
- F. Bergmann Park—Nothing New
- G. Slingerland Park

- a Member Matt Wohlenhaus brought up the Band Shelter Member Martha Vrieze mentioned previously. This was initially thought to happen at Riverside, but Riverside is getting full. Bring more attention to Slingerland Park.
- H. Mantor Field
  - a Very rough outfield. Last day of baseball is July 26, 2023. This season was very busy.
- I. K-M Dog Park – Nothing New
- J. Denneson Field
  - a Joe Adams spoke with Carol. Benches have been ordered. Will arrive in 6-8 weeks. Will not start putting tree in until closer to October.
  - b Cement needs to be installed. Money was switched to Riverside last year. \$10,000.00 put away for ADA. Would like to pull up to \$2,000.00 for cement, bench and picnic table towards ADA path. Vice Chairmen Henry Blair pointed out \$2,800.00 for mulch that we aren't going to use, that could be used for this project. Joe Adams agreed. Joe Adams will bring this to the next council to move the funds.
- K. Community Gardens – Nothing New
- L. Community Tree Management
  - a Will not be injecting EAB next year. The trees that were treated has died. Joe Adams talked to a contractor that has been cutting trees roughly 15-20ft high and they are growing back. This was done to one tree in the campground that has been flourishing. Joe Adams is going to look further into this.
  - b Joe Adams is still working on a tree care plan.

**6. Next board meeting is 6:30pm August 29, 2023 at City Hall**

**7. Joint Ventures Updates**

**8. City Staff Updates/Reports**

**9. Adjourn – Member Matt Wohlenhaus moved. Member Martha Vrieze seconded. Passed. Adjourned at 7:35 pm.**