

## **PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 5, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Don Osterday at 7:00 PM. Present at roll call were: Don Osterday, Scott Heinberg, Jill Ringen, Aaron Wolfe, Mary Jane Sturtz and Stuart Vamstad. Excused absence: Pat Hardyman. Also present were: John Sonsalla, Amy Prine and Robin Steiner. Wade Berget arrived at 7:05.

Motion by Sturtz second by Ringen that the meeting notice and agenda were properly posted. Motion carried. Motion by Wolfe second by Heinberg to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

There were no comments, suggestions, or recommendations from citizens.

Under new business, Osterday let all present know that the sealing of the walking trail has been backed off until next spring due to the wet fall. Osterday asked if anyone knew of a person or business that would be able to produce a routed sign for one of the parks. More research will be done to find a vendor for the purchase. Osterday also stated that the middle of the basketball court down at Sieg Field is in need of repair.

Discussion was then held concerning the proposed 2017 budget requests for the Parks and Recreation Department and Wellness Center. Copies of the proposed budgets were included in the agenda packet. Chairman Osterday then asked Wade Berget to present his budget. Wade stated the 2017 Park and Recreation budget includes \$59,200.00 in total revenues and \$227,700.00 in total expenses; and outlay requests of \$5,000.00 for the swimming pool and \$19,000.00 for parks. The total expenditures are \$4,340.00 higher than 2016 budgeted amounts or 1.94% higher; which is within the 2.0% increase allowed by Mayor Breunig. The total expenses also include the 2.0% wage increase allowed by Mayor Breunig. Osterday stated that he would like to also see \$10,000.00 added to the recreation outlay account for repairs to the basketball court down at Sieg Field. Several questions were then asked by committee members concerning the proposed budget. Motion by Ringen second by Vamstad to present the budget with the addition to the Mayor for approval. Motion carried.

Chairman Osterday then asked Amy Prine to present the proposed 2017 Wellness Center budget. Amy stated the 2017 Wellness Center budget includes \$110,000.00 in total revenues and \$109,677.00 in total expenses; and Ritter Funds purchase request of \$7,500.00 for repairs and new tile on the weight room floor. After discussion, the committee made the following changes: move \$4,000.00 from wages to equipment/repairs, additional \$1,000.00 to equipment/repairs, and additional \$1,000.00 to miscellaneous. With the changes, the total expenses will be \$111,677.00 for 2017 which is a 1.70% increase from 2016. The proposed budget includes the 2.0% wage increase allowed by Mayor Breunig. Motion by Heinberg second by Wolfe to present the budget with the changes to the Mayor for approval. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the purchase of a replacement for the DVR on the Wellness Center's surveillance. The insurance company had requested a DVD of some footage. At that time it was discovered that the DVR was not working properly and would need to be replaced. The cost of this purchase will be taken out of the 2016 budget.

Amy Prine stated that she was also having problems with one of the treadmills. The repair person told Amy they would not be able to do any more repairs on the machine and it would need to be replaced. Amy passed out a quote on a new treadmill and will look into the cost of a refurbished treadmill for the next meeting.

Amy Prine and Wade Berget then updated those present on the Wellness Center and Recreation programs. Amy distributed a handout of current membership numbers by month. She reported that class numbers were down but that usually happens during the summer months. Overall, the Wellness Center is doing well.

Wade Berget then reported on current recreation programs. He stated flag football is going well. Wade will be looking at significant changes with the program for next year. Fourth, fifth and sixth grade volleyball is happening on Saturday mornings through November 19<sup>th</sup>. Women's volleyball league has started. The winter programs for youth basketball are scheduled to start on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. The recreation programs are also going well.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Vamstad second by Ringen to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 PM. Motion carried.

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Robin Steiner, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer