HUNTINGBURG PARK BOARD minutes

Thursday October 22, 2020 at 5:45 P.M.

At Old Town Hall

Park Board Members Present: Dustin Schmett, Abby Fink, Mike Fulkerson

Park Board Members Absent: Shannon Fuhs

Park Employee Present: Larry Altstadt

Others Present: Mayor Denny Spinner, Gina Flick, Boy Scout Troop, Candy Neal

1. Approval and signing of all claims. Mike motioned to approve, Dustin seconded. 3-0 approved.

- 2. Approval and signing of the September 21, 2020 minutes. Mike motioned to approve, Abby seconded. 3-0 approved.
- Director's Report:
 - A. General:
 - Boy Scout Observation Project. Boy scouts were in attendance to earn a badge.
 - b. Playground presentation for Northside Park. This is the first presentation out of 3 for the playground equipment for the northside park. Jeff from GameTime came to do the presentation. He did send Larry the slideshow for us to view at any time later on and he printed blueprints also. This playground is different from competitors because it uses direct bolts; meaning less hardware and no clamp system. They have been in the service of playground equipment for 30 years, they have insurance to cover \$51 million and they have 100% fund matching. CONCERNS from the park board, the pods may be too close to the water, the shades were nice but need to be covering more equipment, and some of the structures were more for attraction, we'd like to see the money used on equipment that is usable.
 - d. Discuss: The high school baseball team is wanting to hold practices during the off season. The Director has contacted the Athletic Director to get this scheduled. Larry will contact the athletic director to get a schedule.
 - Equipment purchase There are funds left for this year, and next year there
 may not be funds for this, so Larry was looking to get a new mower and/or
 ATV.
 - f. Park Director met with Emily Finch the Invasive Specialist for Dubois County There may be a grant out there to cover this to help keep invasive species away.
 - B. Market Street Park:
 - a. Irrigation will be winterized
 - B. Mike suggested using signage during events that say "this is a Tobacco Free Park"; still having issues with people smoking in the parks especially during big events.
 - C. Old Town Hall:
 - a. KWK is painting the doors and entry areas.

D. Senior Citizens:

- a. Is reopened at half capacity. She has been watching the numbers, as she doesn't want to over do it with the space and still allow social distancing to be enforced.
- E. Pool:
 - a. Winterized
- F. League Stadium:
 - a. The Liberation League has completed their season and the stadium has been cleaned. There are a few items left in the office, but in boxes, hopefully they will be out in the next week or so.
 - b. The field has been aerated for the winter and will be seeded with rye
 - c. Fischer Electric will begin work on the Concession area under the stadium on the 3rd base side.
 - d. The Stadium will be winterized this month
- G. Northside Park:
 - a. The restroom doors were painted and door handles put on. Paul Lake was concerned about the doors and frame. He was concerned about putting electric locks up on the doors, but the board still thinks the doors should stay the same, and then be replaced once they are damaged and then new steel doors and electrical locks will be installed.
 - Plumbing is being installed. Discuss Gutters. It was decided to put new gutters on the shelter. IF not fixed, may cause damage. Larry will look at getting these fixed.
- H. Niehaus Park:
 - a. Driving range will close when weather is to cold
 - b. Kern Tree Service removed 17 more trees. Mostly due to safety reasons.
- I. Southside Park:
 - The replacement playground equipment has been received. This will be a winter project.
 - b. The concession stand has been winterized
- J. Bark Park: No news to report
- K. Monthly report: copies given
- 4. Adjournment. Mike motioned to adjourn. Dustin seconded. Meeting ended at 7:08

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Secretary

Member