

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. by Board President Elliott.

1. **Roll Call:** Present: Park Board members, Pat Elliott, Kathryn Lewandowski, Allicia Woodhouse, Brad Wegner, Gary Manning, County Board, Parks & Rec Dir. Jodi Mieden, Parks and Grounds Supt, Dave Fry, Spencer Reed, Summer Rec Supervisor Madelyn Bauer.
Absent- Larry Hallett, Mark Chambers
2. **Motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the last meeting(s) in lieu of printed copies and approve the same.** Motion by Lewandowski to approve the minutes. Second by Wegner. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Discussion and possible approval to adopt Woodman Aquatic Center Rules and Patron informational guidelines as recommended.** Bauer presented the rules and guidelines and Wegner mentioned the changes to the guidelines may include food and drink only allowed in concessions area doesn't provide enough space for all in need and it would be nice to be able to bring food back to chairs, as long as it is not close to the pool edges and trash is properly disposed of. Tube weight limits were discussed and will be made to say "recommended" weight limits. All other discussions were in alignment with the guidelines presented. Motion by Wegner to approve the Patron Guidelines and Pool rules as presented. Second by Manning. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Discussion and possible approval to petition the City Council for contingency funds to be used for additional pool maintenance issues, as well as seasonal shutdown maintenance if necessary.** Mieden presented current billing, up coming billing and possible overages to the maintenance budget due to the issues we had with the first company we hired to set up the pool and the obstacles we faced, as well as proposed pool closure billing to come. The board discussed approaching the City Council to ask for contingency funds to pay for the overages. Motion by Wegner to allow Mieden to approach the City Council for funds. Second by Manning. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Approval of payment of monthly bills.** Motion by Manning to approve payment of the monthly bills. Second by Lewandowski. Motion carried unanimously.
6. **Staff Reports:**
 - A. **Senior Coordinator:** Heffner's report stated a total of \$345.00 in funds came in so far from coffee money. Two trips to Diamond Jo are on the books for September and October. Cost will be \$35 per person, allowing them \$15 in free play and \$10 for food. Gentle Chair Yoga is gaining in popularity and all attendees are benefiting and enjoying the social aspect. Bingo has been popular, allowing players to win small prizes and socialize.

B. Parks and Recreation Director: Mieden reported the Community Center remains busy with Summer Rec Camps and graduation parties, and an indoor circus. The Library hosted events here as well that were well attended, including the Mississippi River Museum and a hula hooping event. Rec programs are up in attendance and some of the programs that were waivering have regained popularity. Thunderfest and the Fireworks went off with a lot of hitches, being rained out for the final band and had to use our rain date on Sunday for the Fireworks. They were well attended and provided a nice show overall. Discussion about the concession stand vandals and how nice the cameras were to catch them. All summer leagues were wrapping up and went well. Camping issues were discussed as well as the new digital billboard.

C. Summer Recreation Supervisor: Bauer reported on rec programs and how enrollment was way up this year. Special events were well attended: Kids Nite Out had 28 kids! Looking forward to hosting the 1st 3-on-3 Basketball tournament in July. Bauer reported about this year's staff being very young at the pool, but also very coachable, and seem to really be enjoying their jobs. Extended hours at the pool have yet to be very well attended so will be revisited at our end of season meeting for next year. Season pass and punch card sales are way up from last year. Staff have been involved in many new trainings, partnering with EMS, as well as RCPD and Passages. Lewandowski suggested posting more on FB to be open later hours may help get the word out more.

D. Parks and Grounds Superintendent: Fry reported on the Concession stand vandal and the cost to fix all that they broke. He touched on campground issues, working with RCPD and how much fun they have been having with the campers reluctant to pay as they are homeless. Reed suggested a rule change to allow a certain amount of days per year. Manning discussed past issues with other campers and having to do a legal eviction to get them to leave. The issue is everywhere and growing. Fry mentioned that he set his retirement date for October 6th, 2023.

7. Park Board President's report. Elliott had nothing to report.

8. Reports, requests, etc. Wegner made a request to maintenance to fix the storage shed at North Park as the door was just shy of falling off and since they can't store equipment in the rec storage, they would like to see it fixed, so nothing gets stolen. He reported that Diamond 3 backstop needs attention and the hot water heater in concession stand broke down and needed fixing. Fry reported that he would need to check his budget to see if he had funds to do the shed repair and said those buildings were donated by Kiwanis Club. Lewandowski mentioned talking to the Club to see if they had any time, group or funds to fix. Fry reported that they took the heater to the landfill, and it would not be replaced as most groups don't do concessions anymore, and it is rarely rented for that purpose. Fry will address the door to assess the cost as well as fix the fence. Lewandowski reported that great things were happening at the pool and how much it was being enjoyed by her and her family. Woodhouse suggested later lap swim/walking hours besides the morning time.

9. Adjournment.

Motion by Manning to adjourn the meeting. Second by Woodhouse. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Jodi Mieden.