



Grinnell PARKS AND RECREATIONS BOARD meeting
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.
GRINNELL ATHLETIC AND RECREATION CENTER

Minutes

ROLL CALL: Kama Small, Ray Spriggs, Ralph Eyberg, Allison Haack, Bill Molison, Jordan Allsup, Duane Neff, and Ian Knutsen. Absent: Taylor Finch-Brandt and Shawn Walters.

APPROVE AGENDA: At 7:03pm Spriggs made the motion to approve agenda, second by Haack to approve the agenda. AYES: All. Motion carried.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES: Spriggs made the motion, second by Haack to approve the March 11, 2019 meeting minutes. AYES: All. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Master Parks Plan – priority of projects, fundraising opportunities, grant writing, goals for 2018-2019 fiscal year
 - **Parks and Cemetery Vegetation - Eyberg** – Update on the re-enforcement of Cemetery Rules from Duane Neff. Also received an update that five deceased Ash trees will be removed from Central Park. No action necessary.
 - **Bailey Park / Skate Park – Walters / Small** – Bid for Skate Park Construction was pieced out a little more with City staff being more involved. Construction is expected to start late spring or early summer. No action necessary.
 - **Merrill Park Stone Sign – Molison** – A contractor has verbally expressed interest to complete the project. Waiting on confirmation. No action necessary.
2. Recreation & Aquatics – Updated the board on the new offerings from the Parks and Recreation Department this season. Presented the new Spring/Summer program guide, and explained how the project came together. No action necessary.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Shelter Rental Policy- Allsup presented research on alternative payment policies and options to improve the current park shelter rental policy. Molison made the motion for a new park shelter rental policy, stating shelters are available to rent on a per hour basis, with a four hour minimum, and maximum twelve hour daily rental charge. The exception would be the Merrill Park ball diamond, which will have a two hour minimum. Second by Spriggs. AYES: All. Motion carried.
2. Central Park Fountain- The board was presented the water consumption of the Central Park Water fountain from 2018. The board discussed alternative options on what would be a good way to conserve the usage of water the fountain utilizes throughout the season. Spriggs made the motion to change the Central Park Fountain's hour's operation to be based on a seasonal, weather permitting schedule. The seasonal timeframe will be from May 1 through October 1, weather conditions permitting, with hours of 12:00pm-9:00pm starting Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. Reduced seasonal hours of 3:00pm-7:00pm will begin May 1 to Memorial Day weekend, and after Labor Day weekend to October 1. Second by Eyberg. AYES: All. Motion carried.

NOTES:

INQUIRES:

- Neff asked the board if they would like to use the evergreen trees used in the planters downtown to be placed in any of the parks rather than sell them. Board is looking into options of placement in the parks.

ADJOURN: Molison made the motion at 8:02pm to adjourn the meeting, second by Spriggs. AYES: All. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Director
Jordan Allsup