

Lanesboro Park Board
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, June 25, 2019
4:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Haugen, Teri Benson, Brenda Semmen, Rick Darling, and Samantha Heraldson

Members Absent: None

Visitors: Eddie and Darrell Sickell, Stacey Schultz

Call to Order: Board member Benson called the regular meeting of the Park Board to order at 4:30 p.m.

Adopt Agenda: Board member Darling made a motion to approve the Agenda as submitted with the additions of: PLAYYY, Ballfield fencing, and Trails Update. Member Semmen seconded the motion. Motion carried, all in favor.

Approve Minutes of May 21, 2019: Motion was made by Board Member Haugen to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Board Member Semmen. Motion carried all in favor.

Regular Business:

- A. **Staff Update:** It was noted that the park has been very busy with many activities including Rhubarb Fest, Art in the Park, Bikes for Barker, and the DNR fishing days, plus the Cattlemen's Dinner and the Compeer Financial Picnic. Norby Tree Service removed 5 large and dangerous trees from the park. The Seasonal Employees are working hard and doing a great job. There is about 300 feet of fencing that can be re-purposed.
- B. **DNR LEASE RENEWAL:** The current 5 year lease is set to expire on 12/31/19 and the DNR is hoping to renew for another term. Michele Peterson will look into the going rate for office space rental and report back at the next meeting.
- C. **Park Ash Trees:** Several ash trees within the park will need to be removed in the next 3-5 years. It was suggested to add a line item to the budget for trees to help replace the trees that will be coming down.
- D. **BIKE RACK DONATION:** Eddie and Darrell Sickell are purposing a bike shaped bike rack to be placed within the city in memory of Eddie Knutson. A motion to accept the donation of the bike rack to be placed over in the Bass Pond Picnic Area was made by Member Heraldson. Member Benson seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.
- E. **Continued Business**
 1. **Fishing Dock:** The dock is finished.
 2. **Ice Rink:** Sold to the City of Austin for \$500.00
 3. **Bass Pond Park Area:** Stacey Schultz was present to as permission to use the concrete slab area for a Natural play area and to volunteer her services and promotion of PLAYYY in the newly created Nature play area from July – September. The idea includes adding logs, sticks, rocks or other natural items for imaginative play. A motion to allow the use of the space was made by Member Haugen. Member Heraldson seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.

4. **Bath House-Municipal Garage:** City Administrator Michele Peterson noted that the current location is in the flood plain, which creates significant issues and expenses for financing a new facility. It was suggested to look at plans for remodeling the current structure and budgeting for the expense so financing wouldn't be needed. Michele will work on new plans and report back to the board.
5. **Ball Field Fencing:** It was noted that there is still the \$2500 grant funds to be used at the ball field. It was suggested that a shade canopy be looked at for over the bleachers. It was also noted that there is currently about 300 ft of fencing available to be re-purposed if needed anywhere.

F. **Trails Update:** Autumn Johnson noted that Lillian Linde had given an easement for an incline trail on her property. The STS crew will be working on the trail. It was suggested to name a portion of the trail after Lillian Linde. Autumn is also working with the University of MN on a county wide interconnecting trail system.

G. **Miscellaneous:**

- a. **Ball field:** A No parking on the grass sign will be placed near the walking bridge. The old playground equipment can be put back up to the north of the shelter.
- b. **Amdahl Avenue:** Dedication will be held on Saturday, August 3 at noon. Autumn and Jim will share thoughts.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Board Member Darling to adjourn at 5:30 p.m. Motion was seconded by Board Member Haugen. Motion carried all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Darla Taylor
Deputy Clerk