



The regular meeting of the Grimes Park & Recreation Board was called to order on Wednesday October 26, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at the Grimes City Hall.

Roll Call: John Feltner; Lynette Wineland; Kathi Scott; Bill Rude; Council Liaison Altringer;
Absent: Charmin Sterbenz;

I. GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS:

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Feltner, Second by Rude, the Agenda shall be approved.

Roll call. Ayes: All; Nays: 0. Motion passes 4 to 0.

Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Rude, Second by Feltner, the Minutes from the August 31, 2011 Park and Rec meeting shall be approved. Roll call: Ayes: All, Nays: 0. Motion passes 4 to 0.

II. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Heritage Society Request

Don Friar of 308 NE Main Street, Grimes, IA. Long time resident and Board member of the Historical Society addressed the Board. Friar stated that the room currently in use is becoming crowded. Fred Roth of 701 Se 3rd St. Grimes, board member, stated that office dividers had been provided which allowed much needed space to display materials. However the Society was notified that the dividers in place create an unacceptable appearance thru the windows from the outside. Discussion needs to be continued on what the best method of protecting the displays from sun damage and maintaining positive esthetics from the outside. Additionally, open hours and contact information will need to be posted for the public to access the Historical Society Room.

Library Expansion Project- Karla Pfaff

Grimes Public Library Director, Karla Pfaff, of 113 NW Maplewood Drive, Grimes, IA addressed the board with updates on the planned expansion for the library. Pfaff requested input from the Park and Recreation board about the plans and goals for Waterworks Park. Discussion on how to combine efforts between the two departments to maximize the development of the surrounding park along with the library expansion. It was agreed that the Library committee would inform Park and Rec on dates and times of their meetings and a representative from Park and Rec would plan to attend.

North Sport Complex & Tennis Court Lighting Updates

City Engineer John Gade addressed the board with information on the lighting project at the existing sports complex for the two tennis courts and 4 volleyball courts. Lighting

consultants KJWW created the master plan for the lighting for both court systems. The proposed poles will be black, 30 ft high, and on set timers. Bids will come on Wednesday October 5. North Sports Complex is undergoing a mass grading and seeding exercise. All of the underground utilities will be installed in this phase. Gade reported that in addition to the park project, the City decided to include utility projects for future development that will be adjacent to the park that will be funded separately.

Eagle Scout Project Proposal

Jacob King, 1105 NE Harvey, Grimes addressed the Board concerning a proposal he would like to do for his Eagle Scout Project. He is with Troop 111. He would like to improve the Lions Park T-Ball field and park area in general. King proposed removing the old wooden dug out benches and replace them with 16' metal benches with backs set in concrete footings. In addition, he will place waste receptacles near the fields. For funding, he advised the board that he will be getting discounted pricing from the bench distributor, Townsend Company, Park and Pool.com for the waste containers, a geothermal company for drilling footings for the benches. He will also approach Lions Club to see if they will assist with funding. He is applying for a grant from Metro Waste. Kings estimates that total cost will be \$2,200.00

Motion to approve the project for City Council review by Feltner, Second by Scott.

Roll call: Ayes: All, Nays: 0. Motion passes 4 to 0.

Pool Committee Approval

A motion to approve the creation of a Pool Committee, with the understanding that funding was not in the foreseeable future, was made by Scott, second by Feltner.

Roll call: Ayes: All, Nays: 0. Motion passes 4 to 0.

Review of Park Goals

Waterworks and Lions parks are the two neighborhood parks that need to be discussed and plans created for future reference. Brookside Drive and Gateway Drive trails are still in planning. Due to lack of funding, it was discussed that any improvements would have to be developer driven for the near future. Planning for trail expansion, lighting, and any additional neighborhood parks will also need to be addressed.

P & R Director Comments:

Barber advised that Halloween Fest would be coming up in a few weeks. Sunday, October 30th from 4-7. Volunteer meetings will be starting to prepare for the event. Flag football season is almost completed. Basket ball registration is underway.

Council Update: None

III. Board Action: None

IV. Old Business:

V. New Business:

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VI. Adjournment:

Rude motioned to adjourn the meeting, Second by Scott.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm
