

The regular meeting for the Grimes Park & Recreation Board was called to order on Wednesday February 26, 2014 at 5:35 pm at the Grimes City Hall.

Roll Call: Charmin Sterbenz; Dennis Heiman; Morgan Molden; Bill Breed; Park & Rec Director Brett Barber; Council Liaison Doug Bickford

I. **GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS:**

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Breed, Second by Molden, the Agenda shall be approved Roll call. Ayes: All; Nays: 0. Motion passes 4 to 0.

Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Molden, Second by Heiman, the Minutes from the January 22, 2014 Park and Rec meeting shall be approved.

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

II. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Review Park Goals: 2014-2015 Budget

Park & Rec Director Bret Barber stated that the budget for the 2014 – 2015 year came to \$200,000. However, he stated that \$50,000.00 of that had already been allocated to Glenstone Park Phase one. Barber said that Phase one includes grading, the basketball court, a small playground and some landscaping. General Board discussion continued as to which priorities the remaining budget should be allocated to. Barber notified the Board that lighting for Baseball Field 6 was estimated to come in at \$150,000.00. He advised that cost could be reduced with participation of volunteers and donations to help with the project. Discussion continued with general agreement that North Pointe, Glenstone, and Lions parks are priorities, however staffing allocation and budget questions needed to be reviewed prior to finalizing which project would receive the remaining budget funds.

2. Park & Rec Director Comments-Field Space, Summer Rec

Barber stated that they are looking ahead to fall programs and that flag football usage has almost outgrown the facilities at Lions Park. He said they are looking at partnering with the soccer club for more space that might be available at the South Sports Park. Barber said parking was an issue as well. He would advise the Board of any decisions from these conversations. General discussion continued regarding various methods to get park status updates to the public. Brett said he would discuss this with the City Administrator.

3. Council Update:

Council Liaison Doug Bickford stated that the Council would be having a public hearing on the 2014 City Budget at the next Council meeting. Bickford said he would have answers to several of the questions that had been raised by the Park & Rec Board. He said that there was a possibility of bundling some of these park needs in with a bond for infrastructure the city was going to look at bringing before the public in the future.

III. Board Action- None

IV. Old Business-

Barber noted that City Staff was looking at creating a Tree Board, and members would be needed.

V. New Business-

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VI. Adjournment-

Motion by Breed, Second by Molden to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm