

## Parks and Rec Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 13, 2023

Call to Order at 6:01 pm by Chairperson Sutton

Roll Call by Michelle Irwin:

Present: Dickinson, Klaas, Muoio, Sutton, and Fisher

Absent:

Quorum Present

Others Present M. Irwin, Cynthia Cutright, Kathy DeCoster

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**Motion** by Klaas, seconded by Fisher to approve the agenda with the addition of memorial bench under new business #5.

All Ayes

Motion Carried

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**Motion** Klaas, seconded by Dickinson to approve the February 13, 2023 minutes as presented.

All Ayes

Motion Carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – Kathy Decoster (5203 Main Street) Questioned the \$3000 spent under contracted services. Discussed that residents are asking her about a dog park.

### AGENDA:

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Spark Grant (Klaas)**– Klaas explained a small group has been chosen to review ideas for Lester Park. Klaas and Sutton met with Cutright to get information needed for writing the grant. Discussed that they are reaching out to Kim from Port Huron to help with grant. She is unable at this time to help, but is willing at a later time. Discussed that they would like to ask Kim for recommendations. Klaas spoke to an engineer to help put together a conceptual drawing. Engineer suggested talking to BMJ in regard to the engineering for the park. Klaas handed out GIS map of park to help start laying out ideas. Committee to reach out to Environmental Committee to talk about trees. Discussed ideas to put in the drawing: converting skate park into splash pad (potential donor requested splash pad to be at Lester Park), reconstruction of tennis courts, addition of a pickle ball court, consider a dog park, improvements to the walking path, addition of bathrooms. Committee discussed that they should research dog park more to weigh out pros and cons. Discussion about the importance of tiling the wet areas and improving the parking area. Discussed reaching out to community groups to help with maintenance of the grounds. Klaas to research costs of tennis repairs (reach out to Ziegler), coat of baseball field, get concept drawing, meet with Lion's Club about splash pad, and email Kaatz about tiling. Sutton to research lighting options and DTE Grants, and meet with Sandusky Parks and Rec person. Muoio look into pricing for senior outdoor exercise equipment.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **McKenna Invoice (January)**- Motion by Fisher, seconded by Klaas to approve the January McKenna invoice number 22-050-6 in the amount of \$285.00.  
**Roll Call-**  
Ayes- Fisher, Klaas, Dickinson, Muoio, and Sutton  
Nays- None  
Motion carried
2. **Members for Harbor Improvement Project**- Discussed about choosing representatives for the projected committee. Council will be in charge of final decisions. Muoio stated he was assured that parks & rec would be involved. Will add to next agenda when more information is available.
3. **Budget**- Discussion about fund balance and determining what project could be completed using those funds. Discussion about 5-year plan, that grants can be applied for because the paperwork is turned in. Consideration to addressing drainage issues, lighting and using it toward concept drawing. Cutright suggested the committee figure out what they would like to put in next year's budget, so it can be on the treasurer's desk come the end of May when things are being finalized.
4. **Resignation Letter**- Motion by Muoio seconded by Fisher to accept Sue Pomilia's resignation letter.  
All Ayes  
Motion carried
5. **Memorial Bench**- Discussion about the correspondence received in regard to memorial bench. Motion by Klaas, and seconded by Muoio to approve the pickle ball group to purchase a memorial bench for Lester Park, location will be TBD but it will be by the pickle ball courts.  
All Ayes  
Motion carried

## **CORRESPONDENCE- None**

**Board Discussion-** Muoio/Cutright will talk to environmental committee about trees in the park. Sutton asked about getting a copy of contact information for other committees.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** DeCoster (5203 Main) was wondering if they considered having a drinking fountain, about having more than one pavilion, and security cameras. Is the ice rink still being considered if it is year-round bathrooms should be looked at. Decoster recalled Kaatz stating something about tiling. The grills at Tierney Park are rotting.

**ADJOURNMENT: Moved** by Klaas, seconded by Muoio to adjourn at 7:14 pm.

All Ayes

Next Meeting- April10, 2023 @ 6pm in the Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Michelle Irwin

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