



Grinnell PARKS AND RECREATIONS BOARD meeting
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.
GRINNELL ATHLETIC & RECREATION CENTER

Minutes

ROLE CALL: Jean Reavis, Ralph Eyberg, Shawn Walters, Ray Spriggs, Bill Molison, Jordan Allsup and Kelly Rose.

APPROVE AGENDA: At 7:03pm Molison motioned to approve the agenda and Spriggs seconded the motion.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES: Reavis motioned that we approve the January 11, 2016 meeting minutes and Molison seconded it.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Master Parks Plan – priority of projects, fundraising opportunities, grant writing, goals for 2015-2016 fiscal year
 - **Central Park - Spriggs / Small / Molison** - Fundraising continues. RDG hosted a work session for the Central Park Committee on Wednesday, January 20 and will hold another session on Wednesday, February 17 to present the 75% design and cost estimates.
 - **Parks and Cemetery Vegetation - Eyberg** – nothing to report
 - **Dog Park - Queathem / Reavis / Walters / Eyberg / Molison** –nothing to report, no meeting this past month.
 - **Bailey Park - Walters** –Fundraising will be picking up soon. Applications for grants will also be going out.
2. Park Improvement Fund – initial goal has been reached. Projects are being completed
 - Aquatic Center Shed – DONE
 - West Merrill Ball Diamond Shed – DONE
 - Park Entrance Signs - DONE
 - Lions Park Parking Lot – DONE
 - Summer Street Natural Playscape – Done
 - Summer Street Recreational Trail – Done – working on finish up dirt work around trail
 - West Merrill Restroom Renovation – phase 1 DONE. Phase 2 will take place this fall/winter. Demo of restrooms will come first then Germans can begin to install fixtures.
 - Miller Park Playground Equipment – DONE
 - Arbor Lake South Side Trail – Schoons to finish up by adding more drainage and rock
 - Pet Drinking Fountain–West Merrill-DONE. Working on Arbor Lake location now
 - Bailey Park Shelter painting – DONE
 - Bailey Park renovation –Fundraising underway.
3. Memorial donations – Molison and Rose presented the first draft of wording for donations to our parks. Feedback was given and Rose will update and present at the March meeting.
4. Land donation – Eyberg would like to discuss with a neighboring property owner if he may be willing to sell some property that would then connect this land donation to Arbor Lake Park property. Eyberg will report back at the March meeting.
5. Bike work station – Imagine Grinnell has applied for some grant money to install two bike work stations where bike repairs can be made. One at Arbor Lake Park and one at the Grinnell Mutual Family Aquatic Center. Imagine Grinnell will let the Parks and Recreation Board know if they receive the grant money.
6. Sidewalk projects – The City of Grinnell is applying for a grant to help off-set the cost of sidewalks. With the construction of Hwy 146 now might be the time to run sidewalk on the North side of 11th Ave starting at the intersection of Hwy 146 and 11th Ave and run East to connect to the existing sidewalk by the East Shelter House. The board would also like to install a section of sidewalk between Prince and

Prairie Street at Bailey Park on the South side of 8th Ave. This would be a six-eight foot wide section that would connect the current Recreational Trail in front of the Grinnell Mutual Family Aquatic Center and Bailey Park Elementary School. Reavis made a motion to remove of the minimum number of parking stalls on the West end of the head in parking at West Merrill Park to make all four corners of the intersection uniform and keep the rest of the parking stalls. She also motioned to install the section of sidewalk between Prince and Prairie St at Bailey Park. Eyberg seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

NOTES:

INQUIRES: Rose has submitted applications for two grants. One grant to cover the cost of the repair of the Merrill Park stone sign and the other for the purchase and install of the second spray feature at the Grinnell Mutual Family Aquatic Center.

ADJOURN: Spriggs made the motion at 8:00pm to adjourn the meeting and Eyberg seconded.

Parks and Recreation Director
Kelly M Johnson Rose