



Grinnell PARKS AND RECREATIONS BOARD meeting
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.
GRINNELL ATHLETIC & RECREATION CENTER

Minutes

ROLE CALL: Jean Reavis, Ralph Eyberg, Bill Molison, Liz Queathem, Jordan Allsup, Dave Popp and Kelly Rose.

APPROVE AGENDA: At 7:09pm Queathem motioned to approve the agenda and Reavis seconded the motion.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES: Reavis motioned that we approve the February 8, 2016 meeting minutes and Eyeburg 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, March 2 and will hold a final one on Monday, March 28.
 - **Parks and Cemetery Vegetation - Eyberg** – nothing to report
 - **Dog Park - Queathem / Reavis / Walters / Eyberg / Molison** –nothing to report, no meeting this month yet
 - **Bailey Park - Walters** –Nothing to report
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 work has begun.
 - Miller Park Playground Equipment – DONE
 - Arbor Lake South Side Trail – work to be completed this spring by S & H.
 - 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 – Additional comments were made and updated version will be presented at April meeting.
4. Land donation – Reavis motioned that the land that has been offered to the Parks and Recreation Board does not adjoin with any City owned property. Gaining this property does not help us achieve anything in our Master Parks Plan for Arbor Lake. There are also use restrictions that are being set by the current property owner for the land use. At this time the Parks and Recreation Board would not like to accept the donation of the property. Queathem seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
5. Bike work station – Imagine Grinnell would like to install two bike work stations where bike repairs can be made. One at Arbor Lake and one at the Grinnell Mutual Family Aquatic Center. Waiting to hear back if grants were awarded to Imagine Grinnell.
6. Sidewalks projects – 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. Along with the stretch between Prince and Prairie on South side of 8th Ave. Waiting to hear on grant before we move forward with these projects.

NEW BUSINESS: None

NOTES:

INQUIRES:

- A request was sent for a water clean-up at Arbor Lake on Saturday, April 23
- A request for dog waste stations uptown. It was said that there is one currently at Central Park but is not kept full during the parks off season. There are no trash cans out for waste to be disposed of this time of year because the Parks are not officially open. Parks are open from April 15-Oct 15. This is when restrooms are up and functioning when there is not the threat of freezing and bursting pipes. Popp indicated if the weather warmed up consistently they would set out trash cans prior to April 15th and fill the doggie bags. Just a reminder that as a pet owner it is your responsibility to always have bags with you to pick up waste and dispose of properly.

ADJOURN: Reavis made the motion at 7:53pm to adjourn the meeting and Queathem seconded.

Parks and Recreation Director
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