



GLADSTONE PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Parks & Recreation Office - 901 Montana Avenue

May 02, 2023

6:30 PM

MINUTES

MEETING CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 PM

ROLL CALL: Gary Stevenson, Anne Pfotenhauer, Jay Bostwick, Cathy Sjoquist, Bob Bosk, Jeremy Cook

Absent: Stacie Carter

Other: Duane Kinnart

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 04, 2023

A motion was made by Jeremy Cook and supported by Cathy Sjoquist to accept the Recreation Board minutes of March 7th, 2023 with the correction to change the names in Board Member Comments about the time change to Mrs. Pfotenhauer instead of Mrs. Sjoquist, motion was carried unanimously at 6:30pm.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Duane Kinnart asked the department if he could pursue plans to construct a gazebo around the Indian Statues, he would provide plans and look into funding for this as well. He stated that his daughter works for a board that funds projects relating to Native Americans. He will draw up plans, look into funding and work with the dept. on a gazebo design that wouldn't obstruct the view.

STAFF REPORT:

- 1. Parks Facilities opening update:** Davis gave an update on the facilities opening status: The Campground opened on April 29th, Harbor is expected to open on May 13th, Snack Shack is expected to open May 8th and lifeguards will start June 24th.
- 2. Pumpout Station installation at Harbor:** Director Davis stated that the Pump Out station is installed and ready to go once the Harbor opens up on the 13th.
- 3. Howes Batting Cage installation:** Davis thanked the volunteers who helped install the batting cage to honor Linda Sanville and we will be installing a plaque in her name. Batting cage posts/nets as well as tee pads were donated and installed and the city provided, spread and seeded the top soil around the press box side of Howes Field.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- 4. Name Sports Park Playground:**

A motion was made by Jeremy Cook to name the Sports Park Playground the "North Bluff Playground" and supported by Jay Bostwick, the motion was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

5. **4th of July event update:** Davis shared with the board the upcoming 4th of July events and related festivities going on. The 4th of July coordinator Kristyn Madalinski has been doing a great job getting everything lined up. **see attachment**
6. **Pickleball Courts update:** Davis gave an update on the Pickleball courts project. He stated that the courts project looks promising, they are still waiting on funding to be released from the Great Lakes Sports Commission to see if they can do the whole project or if they will have to cut out the surfacing.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Bob Bosk - He asked about having Kristyn come to the next meeting and talk about the projects for the Friends of Gladstone.

Cathy Sjoquist - She asked if the dept. could buy Preen for the FCS flower beds on the northside, 10th St. and Wally's. She also asked about the Roses on the highway by First Bank, if we could remove the stumps on the ends of the 10th St. flower beds and about the city's involvement with the railroad committee.

Jay Bostwick - He wanted an update on the Radford property.

Anne Pfotenhauer - She asked if the dept. could remove the shack by her house on the Ski Hill.

Jeremy Cook - Suggested that Joe Skellenger could build Gazebo by Indian Statues

Gary Stevenson - He said that the LBNT looks good and clean

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made to adjourn by Anne Pfotenhauer and supported by Bob Bosk at 7:32pm.