

Jackson Park Board Meeting August 8th, 2022

Meeting called to order by Luke Dry at 6:00 PM

Members Present: Luke Dry, Dave Seabaugh, Michelle Flath,
Cathy Reiminger, Darin Pettit, Bob Lichtenegger, Rodney Ladreiter

Visitors: Katy Liley – Aldermen Representative

Reading of the minutes: Bob made a motion to approve the July Board minutes, Darin 2nd. Bob suggested to change Armory to Upper Armory Restroom on the American Rescue Funds list. All Board members agreed & Motion was approved by a vote of the Board.

Old Business:

Hubble Ford Replacement Bridge Project

Construction is complete. The Board suggested to name the new bridge – Hubble Ford Bridge. Michelle made a motion to approve the name and Darin 2nd. Motion was approved by a vote of the Board.

Civic Center Digital Sign

The new location was presented and approved by the Board of Aldermen.

Soccer Park Field Project

Phase 1 will go out to bid and will be constructed most likely after season ends in October. City Engineer Anna Bergmark is finalizing bid documents. Design work on Phase 2 continues And donors are working through JAOSA to finance the project. Rodney suggested that the gravel lot needs to be graded. Cathy confirmed that vandalizers had done donuts in the parking lot and fields; some juvenile was caught in the process.

American Rescue Funds

The Board went over the list that was sent out after July's meeting. Katy will proceed with the list to the Board of Aldermen. There was not an update on the pool repairs or maintenance Needs; the Park Board wants to wait until Jason can give an update on this before committing To the remaining bathrooms beyond Union Street.

New Business:

Special Event Permit Application

Big Love Concert on September 2nd. Motion by Cathy to approve the request, Dave 2nd. Motion approved by a vote of the Board pending the insurance application.

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Breaking Bonds Ministries 5K. Motion by Darin to approve the request, Cathy 2nd. Motion approved by a vote of Board.

Junior Park Board Membership

Luke Dry has spoken with STUCO leaders at the HS. Luke will reach out to Jason to move forward.

New Business Items not on the Agenda

- Safety City sign needs to be repainted and bushes trimmed around it.
- Park Board Foundation – who is authorized to manage the money in and out of the account? Bob is looking into this further
- How does someone donate to the Park Board Foundation? Bob is looking into this further
- JAYF gravel parking lot needs graded
- October Meeting – invite old Board members to a cookout and ask them for ideas on the American Rescue Funds. The Park Board was in favor of this; Darin Pettit would coordinate.
- The Park Board would like the City Comprehensive Plan to come out before working on a revised Park Master Plan.
- Rodney suggested the ground under the swimming pool be investigated using sonar methods to determine if there are cavities under it that could cause collapse. He understood that leaks were still occurring frequently.

Director's Reports: Maintenance worker Eric Welch retired on July 29th after 21 years with the city. His replacement has been hired and will start soon. Parks crew have been busy trimming trees along the walking trails. We are getting quotes for a full replacement of the roofs on the Brookside restroom and pavilion.

Park & Recreation Director's Report

We hosted a four team co-ed slow-pitch softball tournament on Saturday, July 30th. JAOSA is set to begin its Fall season in the next couple weeks.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Minutes submitted by: Michelle Flath