

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 7, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Commissioners Bill Rowland, Jill Carlson-Balmer, Linda Glines, Sammy Andrews was on the phone to make a quorum until Jim Jenkins came. Also in attendance were Parks and Recreation Director Tim Barker.

ABSENT: Jim Kirk, Larry Kopczynski and Council Liaison John Spickelmire.

II. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Cathy Jo Zeller was upset that the basketball court at Sunset had not been replaced. It was taken out during the Pickle Ball court upgrade. Commissioner Balmer let her know that there have been discussions to replace the basketball court at Sunset Park.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Balmer asked for a motion to accept the Minutes from June 25th, 2024 as presented, Commissioner Rowland made a motion to accept minutes for June 25th, 2024, Commissioner Glines seconded the motion, all approved.

IV. PRESENTATIONS, COMMUNITICATIONS, AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Department Staff Reports:

Commissioners were sent the monthly report for June 2024, there were no follow up questions. Commissioners were sent the monthly report for May 2024 there were no follow up questions.

B. Senior Nutrition Update:

No Senior Nutrition update

V. ACTIVE AGENDA

A. Bert Lipps Pool:

Mr. Barker gave a brief presentation on the current state of Bert Lipps Pool. He explained the reason for the public meeting and the survey. Mr. Barker had available for those present a synopsis of the results of the survey and read a few of the comments from the survey. After his comments the floor was opened to any of the citizens to add their comments to the record. Following is a list of the citizens that attended the meeting and their comments regarding the pool.

Cheryl Morgan Flory: The pool needs to be opened back up as soon as possible.

Shari Troutline: Orchards pool is such a gem but something needs to be done to provide a pool for people on Normal Hill and downtown. She is worried a splash pad would have some vandalism.

Molly Steele: Ms. Steele said she knows kids that did not get to swim this summer because Bert Lipps was not available.

Cathy Jo and John Zeller: would like to see the pool rebuilt and not include a splash at the site.

Aurora Zeller: She believes that kids are not as happy with a splash pad as they are a full size pool.

After the comments Commission Chair Balmer asked if the if the Commission had any other comments and if they would like to make a recommendation in the form of a motion to Council. Commissioner Jenkins made a motion to replace the current pool and look at the

possibility of other amenities including a splash pad. Commissioner Glines seconded the motion, all approved.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Fiscal Year 2024 Projects:

a. Facilities

- i. Library Lighting Replacement: The original work done at the Library including the lighting was not done to Commercial grade and a good deal of the lighting is failing. There is a grant that they are working on but finding it hard to comply with the Made in America clause that is part of the grant requirements.
- ii. City Hall West Windows: have not had anyone bid on this job as of yet.
- iii. Carnegie Library Exterior: Carnegie needs new gutters and painted at the minimum.
- iv. Police Training Center Roof: Project complete
- v. Traffic Control Roof: Project complete
- vi. Fire Station Diesel Particulate Mitigation: Project complete

B. Golf

- i. Cart Barn Replacement
Staff have been working on design options to possibly include a new maintenance shop as well as space for the addition of golf simulators that would bring in lease revenue from an operator of the simulators.
- ii Driving Range Improvements
Additional/replacement poles and the netting have been installed and the project has been completed
- iii Equipment Purchases: Tractor, Greens Mower, Surrounds Mower
All equipment has been ordered and we are awaiting delivery of some of the items. We were able to buy a few gently used items which allowed us to purchase all equipment initially requested with the funding provided in fiscal year 2024, which also included a fairway mower and a pull behind aerator.

C. Parks

- i. Community Park Basketball Courts and Fitness Area
Director Barker met with the owner of Living Waters to discuss a landscape plan for the parking lot area and future landscaping around the amenities. That work would begin this coming fall and then conclude once the amenities are installed in 2025. Additionally, Barker made a request to the City Council at their budget work session on Monday, May 20th to incorporate remaining FY '22 funding to complete all of the work that was approved that fiscal year.
- ii Pioneer Park Playground and ADA Parking – IDOC Grant
There was a bid opening for the parking lot stalls and the lowest bid came in at \$77,000.00.

VII. COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Councilor Spickelmire was not in attendance.

VIII. NEXT MEETING

A. Wednesday, September 18, 2024 5:00 PM at the Lewiston Community Center

IX. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

A. Park and Recreation Master Plan (September)

B. Auditorium District Discussion (September)

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Commissioner Rowland made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Jenkins seconded, all approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Linda Rape

August 14, 2024

Recording Secretary

Date