

Park Board Special Meeting
December 2, 2019

The Park Board held a Special Meeting, Monday, December 2, at 7pm to meet with the Youth Groups who utilize the city fields for T-Ball, Flag football, Lil Rams football, Soccer, Youth baseball/softball. Park Board members present were Randy Romens, Vanessa Covington, and Stephen Hunt; along with park employees Ron Mattox and Todd Peverill. Mayor Kohn and City Administrator Winquist were also present. Guests representing the groups attending were Baseball Club: Paul Keller and Tom Anderson; Lil Rams: Scott Ericksen, Dain Lundvall, & Curtis DeJager; Soccer Club: Sarah Curry, Carol Malcom, and Lynette Sullivan; YMCA : Diana Burchett and Trevor Steinbacher

Each group provided information on their club. The Baseball Club agreed to help with the fields; marking them, setting bases and painting the outfield. They will also rake the fields. They did mention a tree on the city field that needs trimmed.

Lil Rams currently fertilizes the field they use; therefore, the usage fees for their players are waived by the city. They did express some concern that the high school band practices on the same field; and sometimes causing damage to the field. In addition, they commented the Rugby Club used the field for practice and games. Mattox thought the previous park board okayed this but wasn't sure for how long. This will be researched.

The Soccer club has two seasons; spring and fall. The city has collected user fees in the spring; but have not received payments for the fall session. The Club advised they fertilize their soccer fields; usually spending around \$1600. They have a parent who has offered to take care of the weeds by the goals. City will have them sign a waiver.

The YMCA didn't have any concerns on the fields they use for the Tee-Ball group – Todd Peverill commented chalking their fields do not take much time at all. They use the flat area north of field 5 for their Flag Football games. All groups will submit their schedules to the city prior to the beginning of their respective seasons; including rosters.

The Park Board discussed how to proceed for this next year. Learning that the soccer club pays for fertilizing; the board was open to waiving the fees for their fall season; providing they send the city a copy of their paid invoice. Leaving the fees at \$7.50 was discussed and reviewing the "partnership" at the end of the season next year.

Motion by Hunt; 2nd by Covington to keep the current fees of \$7.50 per player for 2020 season; and implementing a \$5.00 fee per player for the YMCA Flag Football season. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hunt; 2nd by Covington to adjourn at 8:36pm. All ayes. Motion carried.

Next Meeting December 19, 2019 at 9am

Minutes taken by Angie Winquist, City Admin.



Randy Romens, Chair