

The May 18, 2023 meeting of the Glenwood Park Board was called to order by Chairman Randy Romens.

Roll Call: Randy Romens, Malcolm McCue, Chelsey Mass, Jim Henderson, Vanessa Covington, Park Superintendent Ron Mattox, Mayor Ron Kohn

Motion by Covington, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McCue to approve the agenda, claims, and minutes of the April 20, 2023 and May 2, 2023 minutes. Ayes 5, Nays 0

The board continued to discuss the Rec Agreements. Romens said he still has not found the best way to determine what we should charge each organization. We are still trying to determine if we should go with a flat fee versus a per participant fee, and if so, how much should that flat fee be. Mattox stated that we may need to include something about how much the park is willing to spend on consumable supplies. He said that the baseball club has been using a lot more chalk than what he ever did in the past. Could we state that we will provide one pallet and they would be responsible for anything above or beyond? Mattox also stated that the baseball club has provided him with a schedule, but he is still running into problems. He will go to work in a field and there is someone there telling him something different than what the schedule says. After a bit more discussion, we will once again table the Rec Agreements until a later date and then have each club/organization come to a meeting so we can discuss specifics.

Covington provided a quick overview of the disc golf proposal from Zenith Disc Golf. The proposal is very thorough and detailed. Covington went over some of the specifics including estimated cost of \$1500-\$1700 per hole, Zenith's fundraising plan, proposed location of the course, etc. Henderson asked if there was a possibility of maybe starting with nine holes and then adding another 18 later. Covington stated that this could be possible. Covington also mentioned that Zenith had not sent an invoice for his \$450 consultation fee yet because if we were to move forward with this plan then he would deduct that fee from the overall cost. The board agreed that this is definitely something we should move forward with and asked Covington to take the lead. She will contact some local disc golfers to gain some support and show interest in the sport and then will move forward with proposing this to the City Council.

Henderson asked about getting some new picnic tables at Hiley Park. Mattox said he has some of the new ones he can get down there. Romens also reminded him that he still has the concrete parking curbs available for Hiley. They just need to come pick them up.

Mattox stated that Mark Hughes plans on starting hauling dirt to the small pond on Monday, May 22. We have a city floodplain permit that needs to be filled out. Mattox stated that he has the two trees cut down to make room for the dump trucks. Romens stated that we need to make sure that Hughes will bring in enough dirt to actually completely fill the pond and hopefully leave a bit of a mound. We want to make sure we are not left with a "bowl" that will hold water.

Mass reminded us that her youth group will be doing their service project at the park on Saturday. They will be painting the pump house and possibly the old shop building. Mattox said he would make sure to have the paint for them.


Superintendent Report: a. Farnan had forwarded an email from a community member who would like to put a small military statue at the base of the flagpole. Mattox stated if we allow this, we need in writing that we are not responsible if it is damaged, stolen, etc. Mass and Covington expressed concern that by allowing this statue we may be setting a precedent that we don't want to get into. Romens stated that

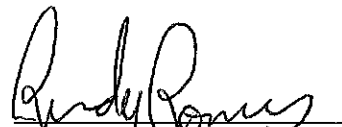
perhaps the statue is better placed at the veteran's site on the square or in the cemetery. The board was in agreement that we would not allow it to be placed in the park. **b.** Mattox stated that he has sprayed the weeds along all the ballfield fence lines. Also, the ballfield grass is starting to come in. He said the new assistant Devin Tadin is doing well. Things seem to be going well at the campgrounds with the camp host. Mattox has started running the fountain in the lake. It runs from 7-9 a.m. and 6-9 p.m. McCue asked when the pump will be put back in place to get the water level up a bit. Mattox stated it may be difficult with his injured hand, but he would try to get it done ASAP. **c.** Mattox let the board know that he will be having surgery in the very near future and would likely be out for a month. **d.** Mattox stated that we still need to decide how to spend the \$5000 from the Ray Thomas grant. After some discussion the board decided to purchase a new floating fishing dock for the lake. McCue will work with Mattox on the details of this. Motion by Covington, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McCue to spend the \$5000 Ray Thomas grant on a new fishing dock for the lake. Ayes 4, Nays 0 (Mass left the meeting early.) **e.** McCue stated that there are a lot of new goslings at the lake. After some discussion, motion by Henderson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McCue to have Mattox contact DNR about coming to round them up. Ayes 4, Nays 0.

**Committee Reports: Budget and Finance** – McCue stated that we need to look at the budget because there is money left that we need to spend before the end of the fiscal year. Mattox said that the \$15,000 for the dirt hauling will come out of the building/grounds/maintenance line item. There should still be just enough left to have TruGreen do the initial spraying (approximately \$3000). In the equipment/repairs line item there is still \$26,000. Mattox stated that he would really like to purchase another utility vehicle. The current "gator" is used all the time and has a lot of hours on it. A second one would be very useful to the crew Motion by Covington, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Henderson to seek approval from City Council to spend up to \$25,000 on a utility vehicle. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Mattox also stated that on the Rec line item it is basically all spent, but some bills just haven't come out yet.

**Chairman Report:** Romens stated that there are still hold ups on the new trail and bridges. Bids are coming in much higher than expected. It is likely that the new bridge on Fallon Creek (the scary bridge) may have to be put on hold.

The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Vanessa Covington, Secretary

  
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Randy Romens, Chairperson