

The February 18, 2021 meeting of the Glenwood Park Board was called to order by Chairman Randy Romens.

Roll Call: Randy Romens, Stephen Hunt, Malcolm McCue, Vanessa Covington, Park Superintendent Ron Mattox, Mayor Ron Kohn.

Motion by McCue, 2nd by Covington to approve the agenda, claims and minutes of the January 21, 2021 meeting. Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Superintendent Report: Mattox reports that it has been a slow month due to the weather. They have taken down a couple trees and rebuilt the cab for the gator. Konfrst has not taken down the lake trees yet because, due to the snow, he says he has no place to haul the trees once they are down. There was a brief discussion on where they could place the tree debris on park property until it can be hauled away. Mattox reported on what he found out regarding getting water to the new building. Boring for a water line would be \$15/foot and we would need approximately 600 ft. A new well runs \$12,000-\$15,000. There was discussion on whether the museum meter could be moved and we could tie into that. That would be a question for GMU. Hunt says he thinks the whole thing needs to be turned over to the city. The matter was tabled until Mattox can talk to GMU and get more information.

Chris McQueen joined the meeting. He is holding the Gravel Grinders bike race on September 18 (date could change due to Homecoming) and would like to have the race start and finish at the park. He hopes to have around 300 participating this year. Parking at the high school will be utilized. Some participants may want to camp. Mattox stated that the campsites would likely all be full but if they wanted to tent camp in the grassy area it would be \$7/night. Covington stated that McQueen may need to rent some porta-pots but that can be discussed at a later date. Motion by Covington, 2nd by McCue to allow the Gravel Grinders race to utilize the park for the event. Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Mattox reported that Rob Pratt will likely need to increase the price of the park benches due to the increased price of steel. Currently the bench price is \$600 including the concrete for installation. Mattox said the steel price is constantly changing. He could call Pratt at the beginning of each month to get a current price. After some discussion it was decided that the cost of a bench would be "market price". Romens will take care of making that change on the bench form.

There was a brief discussion on the request for funds from Mills County as talked about in last month's meeting. Romens' stated that they were not able to get on last month's agenda. He will get on the agenda for the next meeting. Mattox stated he could also attend. They will request \$10,000 to go towards a new septic system that will allow us to open up the old bathrooms.

Shaun Koehler with the Mills County Trails Board joined the meeting to share the most current trail updates. He started by saying that there will be some tough decisions to make. They would like to have the trail complete by the end of 2021 so things will be moving fast. The first priority will be to get the trail underneath Sharp St. so the school kids do not have to walk on the shoulder of the road. He showed photos/maps of the projected trail. The trail will go behind the park campgrounds and would likely eliminate 2-3 camp sites. At the front of the park the fence will probably need to be removed to accommodate the trail. There were also some drainage issues discussed. After a lengthy discussion Romens suggested that we hold a work session to further discuss this. There are a lot of important

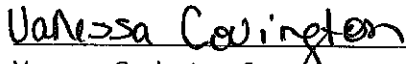
decisions to be made and the park board definitely needs to be involved. We would hold a work session at Keg Creek on Tuesday, February 23 at 10:00 am.

Koehler also gave a brief update on baseball to let us know that they had received an anonymous donation of \$10,000 to help with their continued baseball complex improvements.

Committee Reports: Mattox stated that the current cameras are still not working. Someone came out to work on the wi-fi but the company still can not figure out how to get it to work properly. Romens reported that the employment committee had decided to proceed with hiring a full time employee. He and Mattox met to write up the job description for the Parks and Recreation Areas Assistant. The job is now being advertised.

There was a brief discussion on hiring an intern for the summer. Romens and Covington are researching this option.

Motion by Hunt, 2nd by Covington to adjourn the meeting. Ayes 4, Nays 0.



Vanessa Covington, Secretary



Randy Romens, Chairperson