

The January 20, 2022 meeting of the Glenwood Park Board was called to order by Chairman Randy Romens.

Roll Call: Randy Romens, Malcolm McCue, Chelsey Mass, Vanessa Covington, Jim Henderson, Mayor Ron Kohn, John Schoening

Motion by McCue, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Covington to approve the agenda, claims and minutes of the November 18, 2021 meeting. Ayes 4, Nays 0

Stephen Hunt of the Mills County Historical Museum presented the board with a proposal for a car show to be held at the park on June 18, 2022. The proposal included all the information about parking, restrooms, vendors, etc. It was mentioned that Lake Drive would need to be closed on that day and that campers would need to be notified. We will put cones out on the main road to prevent parking alongside the road. Extra trash cans will be needed. No shelter rental will be allowed on this day. The board thanked Hunt for the information and agreed that this car show was a good opportunity for the community.

Dan Hunter, Angela Bremken and Jason Levermann from GRC presented the board with more information about landscaping/flower bed maintenance at the park. They would propose to begin with the Gene Gilson memorial garden, the flagpole flower bed and the bed at the base of the sign at the ball field entrance. Bremken presented sketches of the proposed flowerbeds. The board continues to be very excited about this opportunity. Hunter stated that the labor costs would be \$7.25/hr for the GRC clients doing the work. He will get us a cost proposal based on the estimated time it will take to do these three beds. This will also include approximately 6 hr/week for maintenance and watering. They would likely start in April. Motion by McCue, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Henderson to move forward with the flowerbed maintenance proposal from GRC. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

The board looked at the proposed Camp Host Job Duties. There were a few questions regarding the hiring process, termination if necessary, and campground phone usage. City Administrator Farnan clarified these questions for us. The person in this position would be considered a contract employee. One change was made to the job duties list with the striking of "gather checks & registrations from box every morning and take to City Hall..." It was decided that the handling of funds would still be done by Mattox or Schoening. Motion by McCue, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Henderson to move forward with the posting of this job. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Following this motion there was a brief discussion regarding interviews. Romens mentioned he would like Henderson to be involved in the interview process because he is a frequent camper. When it is time to conduct interviews, we will see what other board members might be available to assist Mattox in the process

Park Superintendent Mattox was not at the meeting. Schoening gave the superintendent report. They have closed the park road for the winter due to the weather. They have been putting new picnic tables together, doing mower and equipment maintenance and also doing snow removal as needed. They also got the new light put in at the old restroom building to provide better lighting in the parking lot. Schoening reported that we did lose a few trees during the recent wind storm but no structures were damaged. Henderson asked if they could work on getting keys to the dog waste receptacles so waste bags could be replenished. If they cannot get keys we will need to have new locks put on them. Mass mentioned that the flags need to be replaced at the ball fields. Schoening said they would get that done.

Schoening said we are still waiting on MidAmerica to install the new pole for the pump house. The board would like to know when the last contact with MidAmerica had been made because we really need to get moving forward with this. If we are still going to use the old "santa house" as the new pump house, the board said this is something they could be working on to have ready while waiting on the electricity. Board members asked that Mattox and Schoening continue to work forward to have everything in place to keep the project moving.


Committee Reports – Romens worked with Mattox to submit the new proposed budget. He said they increased most line items by 10% with a few, such as equipment, larger increases.

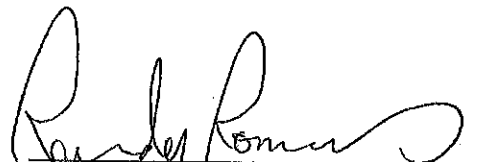
There was a brief discussion regarding the CDBG grant. There really does not appear to be a way to move forward because of the poverty level requirement of the grant. Schoening was asked to check with Mattox to make sure the Iowa Foundations grant had been submitted.

Henderson gave an update on the dog park proposal. He was able to get one estimate on fencing and it was \$28, 178. Covington mentioned that she liked the idea of the dog park but felt we also needed to look at our future park plans and see if this is the best place to spend the money. She also mentioned that maybe we should seek input from the City Council before moving forward. Henderson and Romens will try to attend the next City Council meeting.

Mayor Kohn suggested that we look into proposed projects we might have because the city will be getting some Covid funds that might be used. One of these projects could maybe be the restroom/concession building at the ballpark. Covington mentioned the need to have another work session sometime in the near future.

The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Vanessa Covington, Secretary

  
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Randy Romens, Chairperson