

The May 16, 2024 meeting of the Glenwood Park Board was called to order by board member Jim Henderson.

Roll Call: Jim Henderson, Malcolm McCue, Vanessa Covington, Park Superintendent Ron Mattox, Mayor Angie Winquist & Council member Mike Lines

Visitors: Don Harms, Lori McGoldrick

Motion by McCue, 2nd by Covington to approve the agenda, claims, and minutes of the April 18 meeting. Ayes 3, Nays 0.

Don Harms of Lawn & Leisure addressed the board regarding his bid for the ballfield maintenance. He gave detailed information about his process and said the bid total was "worse case scenario." He also stated that his bid was for the ballfields and surrounding areas and the other bids were not. The board thanked him for providing the additional information.

Lori McGoldrick of the Glenwood Soccer Club addressed the meeting. She said she was in attendance because it had been mentioned that communication was lacking with the club, and she would be glad to come to the meetings on a regular basis if needed. Mattox told her that he and his crew had been doing their best to keep up with the mowing and she said they had no complaints. Mayor Winquist asked about the need for a building at the complex for storage. She also said she would check about the possibility of using the pool restrooms during soccer games. McGoldrick also mentioned that the Vine Street space could possibly be shared with baseball if they needed extra room for practices.

The board discussed the bids that have been submitted for the ballfield maintenance. There is a significant difference in the amount of the bids, but they are all a lot of money. Covington asked for clarification of where this money was coming from because it is not in the Park Board budget. Winquist stated the City Council was working on this. Mattox stated again how difficult it is to get on the fields to do work due to the weather and how early in the season baseball now starts. After a brief discussion, Mattox and the board agreed that the bid from Sharp Blades seemed like the most reasonable to go with. The board also agreed that at this point it seems to make sense to continue to let the Soccer Club maintain their fields.

Covington gave an update on disc golf. She said that the event on the 11th had gone very well and that everyone was excited about the course. She did not have an exact total of what was raised but estimated it to be around \$1200. She said that, weather permitting, the course would be installed by the end of the month (except for the signs). She also stated that she was excited that it would be done by RAGRBRAI but was informed that the space may be used for camping. This is a disappointment because

this would be a nice time for other people to play the course. Winquist said she would ask about the camping at the next RAGBRAI meeting.

Henderson stated that there is an archaeological study being done at Hiley Park before they can move forward with the upgrades. There was a brief discussion on what role Ron and his crew will play in the work. Henderson said that is yet to be determined. He stated that one significant thing that will need to happen is the removal of all the pea gravel that is currently there. The board stated they're thankful for Kiwanis Club and Michelle Wright for all of the work that they have done.

Mattox informed the board that the lights for the area around the lake have been ordered.

The board discussed the Rec Agreements. Covington stated some frustration with the Council not agreeing with the Park Board recommendation regarding the fees. Winquist stated that the main reason was that the clubs had not been informed of the new fee and therefore had not budgeted for that amount. She stated that the fees could be raised next year but we need to make sure to get the agreements out by the beginning of the year. Covington said she would make a note and try to remember to add it to the November agenda. McCue stated that the agreements need to have a renewable clause in them. Winquist said she would check with Farnan about this. Other things discussed:

Soccer – Is Aaron Sorenson the correct contact? Included in the agreement that the club will provide the spraying contract at the time the agreement is signed.

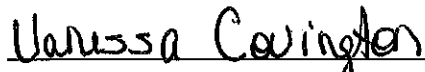
Pickleball – Agreed that Mattox should have a key to the courts. State that the courts will be open by the park from April 1 to December 1 as weather permits. It is agreed that the courts do need to stay closed during the winter. The board discussed setting a tournament fee if the courts would be used for a tournament/event and closed to the public, but that fee was not set.

Disc Golf – The board briefly discussed whether or not we needed to have a Rec Agreement for Disc Golf. The board will determine this at a later date but did also talk about possibly setting a fee for tournament use.

Superintendent Report – Mattox stated that he received complaints every year about the camp showers running out of hot water. There is currently one 40-gallon water heater. He said that he didn't think we could replace it with a larger one due to where it sits and that he would like to just add another one. Motion by Covington, 2nd by McCue to have Mattox get bids for a new water heater. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Covington did add that it may not hurt to check into the possibility of replacing the current water heater with a larger one. Continuing his report Mattox said that there is some grass growing at the ballfields. The rain has helped. He said the grass has been growing on the small pond

area and they have been able to mow that. Konfrst came and took down and removed the five problem trees. The pump is hopefully going in today, but it is a bit muddy. Mattox also said that he had a high school boy apply for a summer position. He had talked to Farnan about hiring him even though he is not yet 17. The board agreed to let Mattox make the decision on hiring.

The meeting was adjourned.



Vanessa Covington, Secretary



Randy Romens, Chairperson