

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD  
March 2, 2022

The Parks & Recreation Board met in regular session Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 5:15 p.m., at City Hall 1209 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Nevada, Iowa. The agenda was posted on February 28, 2022, on the official bulletin board in compliance with the open meeting law.

Deb Parker called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m. The following named members were present and absent. Present: Deb Parker, Laura Kiesling, Tony Sneiderman, Karen Selby, Linda Griffith. Glen Miller arrived at 6:20pm. Absent: Mark Cahill. Others present included: Tim Hansen, Rhonda Maier, Erin Mousel.

Motion by Board Member Griffith, seconded by Board Member Sneiderman, to **approve the agenda**. After due consideration and discussion, the question was put upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Parker, Kiesling, Sneiderman, Selby, Griffith. Nays: none.

Motion by Board Member Selby, seconded by Board Member Griffith, to **approve the consent agenda**. After due consideration and discussion, the question was put upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Parker, Kiesling, Sneiderman, Selby, Griffith. Nays: none.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Nothing.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Field House Bid Review and Appropriate Follow-Up.
- Bids were opened on February 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Five bids were submitted – two of the base bids were within \$25,000 of each other.
    - Each contractor submitted a base bid and included alternate add-ons (i.e. interior finish, exterior masonry, and flooring).
  - Main features of importance:
    - Square footage of the building (just over 55,000 sq. ft. – upper & lower).
    - Interior finish – option between liner panels or 3”insulated wall panel – which are preferred and highly recommended by the architect and contractors. Will also receive a rebate from Alliant based off energy efficiency for the insulated wall panels.
    - Exterior Masonry – prefer to have exterior block that will tie in with the existing structures at SCORE.
    - Flooring – Moose flooring or Mondo flooring (preferred).
  - To date the fundraising efforts have reached \$7.1 million and there is still a grant application out to Prairie Meadows.

- Gym equipment is separate and will be bid accordingly. The first bid has come in early at \$218,000, which is below the estimate.
- Indoor playground equipment will be purchased separately.
- The bids will go to City Council on March 14<sup>th</sup>. If approved, the project would (hopefully) be completed late summer/early fall of 2023.

After reviewing bids and alternates, staff would recommend selecting HPC Const. with a base bid of \$6,450,000. Staff also recommends adding all three alternates: 3” insulated wall panels, exterior masonry, and Mondo flooring, for a total cost of \$7,387,000.

Motion by Board Member Sneiderman, seconded by Board Member Griffith, to **approve staff's recommendation and select HPC Const. with their base bid and three add-on alternates (3” ins wall panel, exterior masonry, and Mondo flooring) for a total cost of \$7,387,000.** After due consideration and discussion, the question was put upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Parker, Kiesling, Sneiderman, Selby, Griffith. Nays: none.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

##### A. Policy on Inflatables in Parks and Appropriate Follow-up.

Early this year we had a request to have a graduation party at Hattery Park with inflatables, which brought to light the need for some type of policy in place regarding inflatables in the parks. Tim reached out to the City's attorney – Erin Clanton, who drafted an email with some key requirements needed from those wishing to have inflatables in parks. A document needs to be created outlining these requirements that can be signed prior to any event where inflatables would be in the park. There would also be a rental fee attached.

Motion by Board Member Sneiderman, seconded by Board Member Miller, to **approve a policy drafting, as outlined in a document from City Attorney Erin Clanton, to allow inflatables in the parks – for an additional \$25.00 fee.** After due consideration and discussion, the question was put upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Miller, Sneiderman, Selby. Nays: Griffith, Kiesling.

##### B. Discussion Regarding Fitness Equipment on Trail (Fit Stops) and Appropriate Follow-up.

This was a request that has come up through internal discussions within the City. He would like to see locations along the trail that would allow people to do fitness at specific stops. There could be motivational sayings along the trail and additional enhancements. This is not something that has been budgeted for, not something The Board has ever discussed, and no locations have been designated for any such stops. The Board would like to see Staff research this request some more and report back,

specifically on things like locations for the equipment, cost, if there are grant opportunities, etc.

## STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Tim Hansen reported on the following:

Tim and Jayson met with Rhett Faaborg from Country Landscapes. Rhett has interest in transitioning the grass area inside the trail loop from its current state to prairie. The loop currently has grasses, but it also has trees that have started popping up. Rhett has put together a plan that will rid the area of those trees, will burn the area of existing grasses/weeds, and will spray the area to kill off anything additional. Once finished they will plant the appropriate seed needed to establish true prairie grass. Rhett and Country Landscapes will donate the labor and equipment if the City will cover the cost of materials. This is a great opportunity to improve the area and the funding is in place to cover the materials. Marlys could also do a story to cover this project so the community is aware of the process that may take 2-4 years to fully complete.

Country Landscapes will also be donating all landscaping for the new Field House.

Rhonda Maier reported on the following:

- Gearing up for Spring/Summer.
- Fortunate to have lifeguards that have applied – there are 12 new guards.
- Excited to be working on the Fieldhouse project.
- Thanked the board for their support.

## OTHER:

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Board Member Miller, seconded by Board Member Cahill to adjourn. The roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Parker, Kiesling, Sneiderman, Selby, Griffith. Nays: none. Whereupon the motion was declared and carried and at 6:48 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

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Erin Mousel, Secretary

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Deb Parker, Vice-Chair Person