

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
April 17th, 2024

The Parks & Recreation Board met in regular session Wednesday, April 17th, 2024 At 5:15p.m. at the Nevada Field House 1625 Fawcett Pkwy, Nevada, Iowa. The agenda was posted on April 12th, 2024 on the official bulletin board in compliance with the open meeting law.

Glen Miller called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. The roll was called indicating the following named members present and absent. Present: Mark Cahill, Linda Griffith, Laura Kiesling, Glen Miller, Deb Parker , Karen Selby, and Tony Sneiderman. Absent:None. Others Present: Tim Hansen, Rhonda Maier and Sarah Lancaster.

Motion by Board Member Linda Griffith and seconded by Board Member Laura Kiesling to approve the agenda. After due consideration and discussion, the Chair put the question upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted Aye: Cahill, Griffith, Kiesling, Miller, Parker, Selby and Sneiderman. Nay: None.

Motion by Board Member Karen Selby and seconded by Board Member Linda Griffith to approve consent agenda. After due consideration and discussion, the Chair put the question upon the motion and the roll being called, the following board members voted. Aye: Cahill, Griffith, Kiesling, Miller, Parker, Selby and Sneiderman.. Nay: None.

Public Forum:

- No items were brought before the Board.

Old Business:

A. Field house updates.

We now have a web page designated to the Field House on the City website. This webpage will help the public stay informed, provides pictures. With the move and play pass we need to look at what that looks like in the future as far as costs and hours. We have found a better system for check ins, so we have a better count for daily use. The gaming and e-sports room has not been outfitted at this point. We contacted the school and Tim was working with the e-sports coach to see if it was something they wanted to partner with. They found a few concerns and wanted more space. At this time, we do not think that is a possibility.

B. Trail Project- Story County updating their plan for trails. Make a connection to heart of Iowa trail/Hickory Grove. They are asking for input from the public through surveys. Leadership Nevada has a survey out about lighting in different areas on the trail. Moving forward with the city being the general contractor for the 19th street connection. The crossing at S14 is close to being complete.

C. Harrington Park Water Quality- moving forward and should commence this spring.

New Business:

A. Salute to Service Program.

Dakota Davis would like to have a Smoke-OFF (smoking pork) Competition to continue with his Sophomore Salute to Service Program. He has done other successful fundraising things to support area veterans. We would like to collaborate with him and help with registrations and the use of the pavilion to help make it a successful event. The park board approved moving forward with helping Dakota with his project.

Staff Reports

Tim Hansen: Getting permits for the sponsor project. There are surveys online for people to share their opinion on the expansion of the trails. Cemetery mapping that we have been working on for 2 years will be rolled out on Wed May 1st. This will allow people an easy tool to research burials at the Nevada Municipal Cemetery through a link. We have 2 days of tree planting on along 6th street and evergreen lane with help from the HS volunteers. The next will be at Kiwanis with help from the elementary students. Country Landscapes will help with both days and the prep work.

Rhonda Maier: CIRL website has a new look. Working on Legends clinics and activities for the summer. We will have skills and 3 v 3 for basketball, skills for volleyball and football and we have already done things with Baseball and Softball. Giving opportunities to kids that want to put in the extra effort to improve their game.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Board Member Linda Griffith seconded by Board Member Laura Kiesling to adjourn. The roll being called, the following Board Members voted. Aye: Cahill, Griffith, Kiesling, Miller, Parker, Selby and Sneiderman. Nay: None. Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried and at 6:15 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Glen Miller, Chairperson

Attest:

Sarah Lancaster, Secretary

