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PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
City Hall Training Room

Members Present: Patricia LaRue (chair), Scott Morrissette (Council Rep), Brandon Dobbertin, Matt Janquart, Melissa Pedrini, and Natasha Schaefer.

Members Absent: Brenda Gaulke.

Staff Present: Cindi Danke-Recreation Manager; Brenda Rundle-Recreation Assistant, Sam Burns-Planner and Erica Ellefson-Public Works Manager.

HPC members Present: Heidi Heinze, Casie Radford, Mark Anderson, Julie Huebel, Pam Friede (6:10), and Jayne Hoffman (6:18).

Others Present: Sean Downing and Ben Fochs

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MSC Schaefer/Dobbertin to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2023 Park and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting. Carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items

LaRue mentioned that Park Board members should think of ideas to improve City parks that should be passed along to City Council. Erica said that wayfinding signs are still in progress based on yearly budgets.

JOINT MEETING DISCUSSION ITEMS (with HPC)

1. HPC and Park Board discussed the Wednesday, July 19 Glen Park 125th birthday party at 6-8 p.m. Plans include cake and/or cupcakes, free swimming, historic postcards, a rotating historic slideshow with captions on the screen in the Pavilion, and a ribbon cutting for The Glen historic sign. Other brainstorming included: perhaps a semi-famous person or local choir could come sing Happy Birthday. Perhaps the mayor can welcome people. An agenda would be helpful for planning the timing of the festivities. Whose budget to use needs to be determined. Photos and videos will be taken. The event will be advertised on Facebook and on flyers, and at the June Mayor's cookout.
2. A round logo was designed by Alice at the library, like the one used for the library's 100th anniversary. It could be used on inexpensive giveaway merchandise such as water bottles, drawstring backpacks, frisbees, t-shirts, stress balls, or large sidewalk stickers. A time capsule could be organized. HPC has Glen Park posters to give away as well.
3. Glover Station signage was discussed. The sign will be a vinyl cling from Hub 70 placed in the rectangular window above the front doors. It would be around \$100. A mock-up was shared. The board liked the gold option the best, which has a black outline. HPC is figuring

out what items to put inside the schoolhouse. So far, they have reproductions of three historic maps from 1920 to frame and hang.

STAFF REPORTS

1. Public Works Manager Erica Ellefson reported they are hiring a Parks Maintenance Worker position. Seasonal workers start on Monday. A seasonal bathroom cleaner will be hired. New playground equipment will be installed in September in Wells Park, Collins Park, DeSanctis Park, and Sterling Ponds Park. The Glen Park pool will be filled starting on Tuesday, and park maintenance staff is also preparing the splash pad.
2. Cindi reported that recreation is going well, and baseball will start soon. Hoffman Park Campground and the online reservation system is going well, and the campground host Curt is back in site 9.

ADJOURNMENT

MSC LaRue/Schaefer to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

CALENDAR

The next Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting will be June 21, 2023 at 5:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Brenda Rundle
Customer Service Representative