

# **PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

## **CITY OF DYERSVILLE**

September 23, 2019

**Meeting called to order by Scott Kluesner at 6:00 P.M.**

**Commission Members Present:** Brian Cassidy, Pam Goedken (arrived at 6:19 pm), Adam Huehnergath (arrived at 6:08 pm), Scott Kluesner, Matt Monahan, Jon Scherbring

**Commission Members Absent:**

**City Staff Present:** Gavin Nadermann, Lori Panton, Mick Michel

### **Approve Monday, September 23, 2019 Agenda**

Chairman Kluesner asked for review and approval of the agenda. Park & Rec Director Gavin Nadermann advised he changed the order of the agenda items because Public Works Director, John Wandsnider, was participating in the dog park and town square items and then would not need to stay for the whole meeting. Matt Monahan made a motion to approve the Monday, September 23, 2019 agenda. Motion seconded by Brian Cassidy.

Voice Call Vote: **AYES:** All

**NAYS:** None

**Motion Carried**

### **Oral Comments:**

None

### **Approve April 22, 2019 Minutes**

Chairman Kluesner asked for comments or changes and there were none. Brian Cassidy made a motion to approve the April 22, 2019 minutes. Motion seconded by Jon Scherbring.

Voice Call Vote: **AYES:** All

**NAYS:** None

**Motion Carried**

### **Receive & File: Director's Report (July 2019 & August 2019)**

Park & Rec Director, Gavin Nadermann, advised everything in his report will be discussed during the agenda items.

Matt Monahan made a motion to receive and file the Director's report. Motion seconded by Brian Cassidy.

Voice Call Vote: **AYES:** All

**NAYS:** None

**Motion Carried**

### **Item #1 – Dog Park Update:**

Public Works Director, John Wandsnider, was present and provided a drawing and did a presentation of the proposed dog park. The location will be at Candy Cane park and will be about ¾ of an acre. Brian Cassidy asked how much the project would cost. City Administrator, Mick Michel advised about \$40,000-\$50,000 and the donation is around \$25,000. It will hopefully be constructed this fall. There was some discussion regarding the maintenance of the

park, which should be low. Michel advised they also plan to extend the parking lot space. Michel advised this was the most logical spot for the dog park.

(Adam Huehnergarth arrived during this agenda item.)

**Item #2 – Town Square Update:**

Public Works Director, John Wandsnider provided a presentation on the location and features of the Town Square. Wandsnider showed the original concept, the RDG downtown design and a couple of his proposed designs. The town square will have more sidewalks and parking to optimize the space. City Administrator, Mick Michel advised he is pushing to get the main infrastructure in place for next year's events and designs are in process. Wandsnider said any ideas can be directed to Gavin Nadermann.

(Pam Goedken arrived during this agenda item.)

**Item #3 – Tennis Court Update:**

Park & Rec Director, Gavin Nadermann, advised there was a tournament on the courts in July and it was realized the the courts are in bad shape. There are over 600 feet of cracks versus 150 from a few years ago. The cracks will be filled, and the contractor will be painting on the pickle ball lines this fall. The tennis court is 10 years old and has been resurfaced once and will need to be done again.

**Item #4 – Disc Golf Course Update:**

Park & Rec Director, Gavin Nadermann, advised tee pads will be put in this fall after soccer. City staff will put in the concrete pads and Al Gibbs will be making the tee signs. After that there will be some extra signage done.

**Item #5 – Baseball / Softball Wrap Up:**

Park & Rec Director, Gavin Nadermann, felt the season went well. There was an issue with Field 2 at the Little League complex where it retained water at home plate. Extra lime was added but did not solve the problem. City Administrator, Mick Michel, advised Gavin and John should get in touch with Steger to check it out. A tile may have collapsed, or extra tile may be needed. Nadermann will be looking into shade netting for next year. City Administrator, Mick Michel advised Candy Cane Park will need attention next year. The shelter needs new roofing and stain. Nadermann advised he did not hear back about the grant for scoreboards and assumes we did not get it. Nadermann stated the Field of Dreams is looking to hold their league tournament at the Little League diamonds next year. That would require the city to install 70' bases.

**Item #6 – Aquatic Center Wrap Up:**

Park & Rec Director, Gavin Nadermann, thought the year went better than last year. Whether that was due to the new policy or new equipment he wasn't sure. The final costs have not yet been determined. The pool party restrictions seemed to help and will probably stay in place for next year. City Administrator, Mick Michel advised next year employees will have more training and the handbook will be revised. The employees will have more guidelines and restrictions. There will be a camera installed in the guard room and the city be changing out a couple old cameras. Nadermann said lessons seemed to go well. There was a rescheduling issue, but Taylor is working on guidelines to eliminate that next year. Nadermann said lessons were probably down because we took out a session due to the painting of the pool. Nadermann felt it should have been kept closed another week because of incidents with slick surface; the surface is fine now. Future paintings should be done in the fall.

**Item #7 – Soccer Discussion:**

Park & Rec Director, Gavin Nadermann, advised the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade tournament will be this weekend with the remaining tournaments the next two weekends. City Administrator, Mick Michel, advised 3<sup>rd</sup> Street will be closed starting next week (the 30<sup>th</sup>) and this will affect driving routes. Nadermann said there will be two divisions again this year because that seems to work better. Nadermann said it was hard finding officials again this year and they are still required to be certified. Overall there have not been many complaints this year. Brian Cassidy asked that Nadermann check on soccer photographers. This year the same package was different prices for different divisions. It was asked how the lawn mowers did this year and Nadermann advised they have done a good job.

**Commission Member Comments:**

The committee asked about the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Pedestrian Bridge. City Administrator advised that should be finished soon. Adam Huehnergath would like to do a ribbon cutting for the pedestrian bridge.

John Scherbring asked if something could be done with weeds along the trail and the river bed. Michel advised the river restoration projects should take care of most of that.

Brian Cassidy asked about the ash borer tree project. City Administrator, Mick Michel, advised there are around 160 left to do. There is no replacement done yet, the city is just getting them removed for now. Michel stated those in the right-of-way should not be replaced because they cause future problems. Michel advised the trees are inspected each year and health of the tree is noted. Michel said the city will probably be adding trees to the Ertl property park area. Michel also advised that the council does want to try treating some of the ash trees to try and save them.

**Set date for next meeting:** The date for the next meeting will be Monday, October 28, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M. on a motion by Brian Cassidy seconded by Adam Huehnergath.

Voice Call Vote: **AYES:** All  
**NAYS:** None

**Motion Carried**

  
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Lori Panton

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