

PARKS & RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES

November 15, 2016 5:30 pm

Members Present:

Dan Borland
Brian Hensley
Vern Rasmussen, Sr.
Chris Utz
Mark Calderon
Jane Grund

Members Absent:

Roger Lonning
Reid Olson

Staff in Attendance:

Chad Adams, City Manager
Joe Grossman, Parks Interim Director
Jenny Davis, Recreation Program Supervisor

Others in Attendance:

Gary Hagen
Bill Howe

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Board President C. Utz.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda was made by V. Rasmussen, Sr., seconded by M. Calderon and approved.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by B. Hensley to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2016 meeting. It was seconded by J. Grund and approved.

Public Items/Presentations:

Discussion/Action Items:

- a. The board discussed the idea of
- b. J. Grossman discussed the proposal for a memorial at Shoreland Heights Park. The memorial is in honor of Dolly Jones Sichko. Her daughter Martha had previously contacted J. Grossman to see if there would be an opportunity for a bench or memorial stone at the Park. B. Hensley made a motion to approve a memorial bench at Shoreland Heights Park, seconded by J. Grund. Motion carried.

Update Items:

- a. City Manager, C. Adams updated the board on the Director position and Community Ed. collaboration. At this time he is not planning on hiring the Director position and believes all is going well with the department. C. Adams also updated the board on the pilot phase with Community Education. The two departments are doing more to collaborate and communicate programs and activities. Community Education currently offices out of the Marion Ross Performing Arts Center and has a workstation at the City Arena.

Board Member Items:

- a. V. Rasmussen Sr. informed the board that there is a collegiate baseball team coming to Albert Lea. This league will be sanctioned and is in the Pioneer League. They will play games at Hayek Baseball Field.
- b. M. Calderon stated that he wants the board to have a purpose and asked that C. Utz send a letter to City Manager, Chad Adams asking him to clearly define the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board purpose.

Adjournment: A motion was made at 6:54 pm by B. Hensley to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by D. Borland and motion carried.

Next regular scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, December 20, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Davis
Parks and Recreation