

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
September 21, 2012

Present: Jacki Craver, Sher Fulker, Chad Vande Lune, Stephen Fyfe, Lauri Amelse, Rich Schulte & Chad Klein

Staff: Mallary Herring, Chandler Nunnikhoven, Brenda Ross & Jenny Hesseltine

Guests: Councilmember Dave Vander Horst, Delaney Dugger, Mark Wittmer & Jamie Wittmer

Lauri made a motion to call the meeting to order, which was seconded by Chad K.

Delaney Dugger was introduced to the group as the new representative from Pella Christian High School. Her position on the board will be approved at the October 2 City Council Meeting.

Rich made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 24th meeting, which was seconded by Sher.

Fountain Hill Park

Staff has had more conversations with the De Vries family regarding the park. Staff and the family will be working together through the coming months to establish an appropriate budget for the project. The City's funding portion will be determined through the annual budget creation process. The final plat for the development should be done in October/November after which time the land can be specifically dedicated as park land. In the coming months, the board may wish to form a committee to assist with the planning and design of the park.

Sports Park

Jenny gave an update on the Pella Sports Park, noting that the City Council viewed the master plan concept at the Policy and Planning meeting on September 18th. Council gave their approval of the direction of the master plan, which then triggered the design team's launch into the specific design phase for Phase I elements. The project is on schedule for Phase I. Staff pointed out that the multi-purpose space will be flat land which will be defined by needs and paint when needed for various programs. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 26th. The final design will be approved by the end of the 2012 with bid letting anticipated just after the first of 2013.

Volunteer Work Day

A volunteer work day to plant tulip bulbs along Washington Street, has been scheduled for October 20th from 9:00 am to noon. Anyone interested is to meet at City Hall.

Registration Deadline Policy

A new registration deadline policy was presented to the board. The purpose of this policy is to allow every individual the opportunity to register and participate in any Community Services program.

Current Policy:

Registrations received after the deadline will be assessed a late penalty fee of \$25.00. No registrations accepted after the first week of the program.

Approved by Recreation Commission Board, October 20, 2009

Proposed Policy:

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registrations will be accepted after the first week of the program. Exceptions will be made only for new residents who move to the community after the registration deadline and when the capacity for the program has not been met. Individuals receiving such exceptions will be assessed the full price of the program as well as the late penalty.

Rich made a motion to accept the new policy with the deletion of assessing the late fee to new residents. The motion was seconded by Sher with all members voting aye. The new policy will be:

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Indoor Pool Renovation

Staff is working with the consultant team to understand every element of the renovation. A meeting is set for October 10th with Shive-Hattery, Water's Edge Aquatic Design and staff to go over every element of the plan in detail.

Aquatic Center Wrap-Up

Mallary presented a season-end wrap-up to the board for the Aquatic Center. She noted that attendance was up by 13,000 this year; 66 lifeguards were hired; 276 children participated in swim lessons; and 140 participated in swim team, which will continue to practice throughout the year. Exceeds expectations ratings were given on both audits done during the summer. One additional audit will be performed at the indoor facility before the end of the year.

For the months of October and November, the Indoor Pool will offer new open swim hours on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:00 on a trial basis. This will accommodate the early outs on Wednesday at the both the public and private schools, home school children, stay at home moms. If successful, staff will consider adding the open swim time to the permanent program schedule.

South Park Sign Request

Staff talked to the De Haan family and they are not sure that they will pay to have the current sign relocated. Staff is working a getting a quote to move the current sign. The family is also is working on the wording of the sign. After harvest season, the family will get back in touch with staff.

Community Gardens

Staff is planning a wrap-up meeting with current gardeners in the near future. There has been interest expressed in having larger plots available for next year.

Chad K. made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Chad VL. The next regular board meeting will be Friday, October 19th at noon at the Police Training Room. The meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Brenda Ross

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