

“Due to the COVID-19 crisis and social distancing recommendations, the Park and Recreation Board meeting was held electronically utilizing Zoom. Everyone was offered to participate by internet connection or by phone.”

The Harlan Parks & Recreation Board met on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 12:00 Noon electronically

Present: Sara Poepsel-Miller*, Todd Berndt*, Lee Schoof*, Ladonna Havick* and EJ Leinen*

Absent: None

Also, Present: Gene Gettys*, Ashley Schleis*, Jane Smith*, Tim Miller*, Steve Plumb*, Mike Kolbe*, Greg Bladt*, Troy Schaben*, Jill Daeges*, Andrea Rietveld* and Tricia Rietveld*

* de-notes participating electronically via Zoom meeting

The meeting was called to order by Todd Berndt

EJ Leinen made a motion, seconded by Lee Schoof to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Any conflicts of interest are to be stated if and when applicable. None stated.

It was moved by Sara Poepsel-Miller and seconded by EJ Leinen to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2020 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Andrea and Tricia Rietveld were present to discuss Andrea’s donations to the Dog Park to earn her Silver Award. It was moved by Sara Poepsel-Miller and second by EJ Leinen to recommend Council to approve Andrea’s donation of two benches, concrete slabs, and a leash holder. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Report:

- Working towards possibly having a baseball/softball season.

General Report Discussion items:

- There is currently no opening date for the Dog Park due to waiting for gate installation and some establishment of grass in construction areas, especially in the high-traffic entrance. There will be an opening date and a separate ribbon cutting date scheduled later.
- There is no set date to open the pool pending regulations due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Tim is working on options to train lifeguards so that staff is ready when we can open the pool safely.
- EJ Leinen will have updates for the playground equipment at Beebe Park in June. Tim got a rough estimate of \$750 to refurbish existing equipment.
- The pool may be filled with water due to HMU draining a water tower. This does not mean that the pool will be opening when water is added.

Grants:

- Sara Poepsel-Miller is working on the Monogram Loves Kids grant.

The next meeting is set for Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 12:00 noon.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned

Ashley Schleis, Recording Secretary

These minutes are subject to Board approval at the next regular meeting.