

“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.” (* de-notes participating electronically via Zoom meeting)

The Harlan Parks & Recreation Board met on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 12:00 Noon electronically

Present: Todd Berndt*, Sara Poepsel*, Ladonna Havick*, Jon Hansen* and EJ Leinen*

Absent:

Also, Present: Gene Gettys*, Ashley Schleis*, Jane Smith*, Tim Miller*, Steve Plumb*, Mike Kolbe*, Troy Schaben*, Jenney Kelly* and Greg Bladt*

The meeting was called to order by Todd Berndt. EJ Leinen made a motion, seconded by Ladonna Havick 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 time to elect Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Todd nominated himself for Chairperson and EJ nominated herself for Vice Chairperson. Todd asked for other nominations and there were none. Nominations ceased. Todd made a motion, seconded by EJ Leinen to elect Todd Berndt as Chairperson and EJ Leinen as Vice Chairperson. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Discussion Items:

- Dog Park grand opening has been postponed until spring.
- Vicki Kuhn has talked about doing some non-profit fundraising for the Dog Park. The board has decided to hold off on buying anything until Vicki has finished her fundraising.
- Beebe Park is having all the pea gravel removed and it will all be rubber mulch. The playground equipment has been delivered.
- Most of the fencing has been taken down at JJ Jensen and the playground footprint has been laid out.
- Rocky's Skate Park is still under repair due to the price of lumber. Tim and Steve are looking at options.

Superintendent Report:

- Tim is out
- Pool closes for the year on Sunday, August 23rd. The staff has done a great job and is appreciated for a successful season of operating the pool this season.
- Little George shelter has been put on hold due to the prices of lumber.

Grants Update:

- The board will look into applying for the Shelby County Community Chest, Community Foundation and the Iowa West Foundation grants.

The next meeting is set for Wednesday, September 23, 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.