

HARLAN PARKS & RECREATION BOARD – January 19, 2021

**\* de-notes participating electronically via Zoom meeting.**

The Harlan Parks & Recreation Board met on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 1:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers and electronically via Zoom.

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

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

The meeting was called to order by Todd Berndt. EJ Leinen made a motion, seconded by Sara Poepsel to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Any conflicts of interest are to be stated if and when applicable. EJ Leinen is the Booster Club President.

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

Superintendent Report:

- Been busy with snow removal.
- Burned cattails at Spearing Park.
- The Ernst Family is interested in putting a bench at Beebe Park in memory of their mom.
- The Street Department helped get the Little George Island cleaned up. Clean up at the Pioneer Park Island has been started, however due to the thickness of the ice it has been paused.

JJ Jensen Fencing Safety Cap

- There is still a shortage on funding to purchase the red safety cap for JJ Jensen. We will discuss again in February.

Little George Shelter Bid

- There was discussion on what to do with the current shelter. Roof, wood and concrete need to be replaced if we keep the same structure.
- It was moved by Sara Poepsel and seconded by EJ Leinen to approve the bid from Tom's Electric & Grain Equipment for a new structure with the addition of electrical, to tear down the current structure and build in the current location of the old structure. Motion carried unanimously.

We continued the brainstorming session on Park Planning and Priorities and discussed what the next steps are for us to get started with a few of the projects.

Grants

- Sara Poepsel is going to work on an application for the Shelby County Community Foundation and Todd Berndt is going to work on an application for the Iowa Park and Rec Association Mini-Grants.

The next meeting is set for Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at noon.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

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Ashley Schleis, Recording Secretary

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