

Meeting No. 15-4

**CITY OF BONDURANT**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**  
**MINUTES**

**March 19, 2015**

A Regular meeting of the City of Bondurant Parks and Recreation Board and City Council was held at City Hall, 200 2nd Street, Northeast, Polk County, Iowa on March 19, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Board Chair Joe Van Horn  
Board Member Jessi Cassler  
Board Member Bryant Arns  
Board Member Marian Collison  
Board Member Michele Hartzler  
Administrative Assistant Misty Richardson-Kugler  
Recreation Coordinator Shelby Hagan  
City Administrator Mark Arentsen

Absent: Board Member Jason Holst  
Board Member Kari Gipple

Notice of the meeting was posted at the Bondurant City Center, Casey's General Stores, Legacy Bank and the Bondurant Post Office on March 13, 2015. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Board Chair Joe Van Horn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion made by Board Member Cassler, seconded by Board Member Collison, to approve the March 19, 2015 agenda as presented, Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion made by Board Member Cassler, seconded by Board Member Arns, to approve the Parks and Recreation Board Minutes from February 19, 2015. Roll call: Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Loren Birchmier, 8909 NE Morgan Dr., Bondurant, Iowa presented the Board with emails from the BSC Board regarding spaces available for his group to play soccer. BSC responded with a unanimous denial vote. Loren feels there is discrimination against him. He would like to see more support and continued growth. Board Member Arns stated that the Board appreciates Loren presenting to the Parks and Rec. Board but the Board does not govern BSC or the fields. BSC has a signed lease with the City so unfortunately the Parks and Rec. Board cannot help out with Loren's request.

Recreation Coordinator Hagan presented to the Board a request of interest for a Wellmark Foundation match grant that could be used to expand the play area at Lake Petocka. Other options for this grant could be a webscapes climber, modern shelter with restrooms, half-court basketball, splash pad and landscaping. Board Chair Van Horn questioned the cost and maintenance of the splash pad. Parks and Rec. Board would like to see money go to items other than a splash pad. Motion made by Board Members, to approve the Wellmark Foundation match grant as presented excluding the splash pad, Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays: 0 Motion carried.

BRSC update- City Administrator Arentsen stated that things are going as planned at the ball fields except for the USSSA tournament. Recreation Coordinator Hagan is doing the field scheduling and Public Works Jason McGrann is doing the maintenance. April 20 starts the regular season. Brick Street Market is working in the concession stand to get it ready.

Budget Review- Board Chair Van Horn questioned the fee shortage on the general ledger inquiry. Board Member Arns stated that the registration fee for basketball was low; Blue Jay basketball covered the shortage so it did not come back on the City.

City playground installation- City Administrator Arentsen stated that the Wolf Creek playground will be installed Monday and Tuesday of next week. The mulch will be delivered on Thursday. Once the equipment gets put in the Home Owners Association is responsible for the landscaping.

City Park shelter- Bids were received on March 12 for the City Park Shelter construction project. City Administrator Arentsen asked for the Board to recommend that the City Council award the work to the low bidder, Nisley Construction in the amount of \$132,826. Once approved, Nisley Construction will be building the shelter at the City Park, and they will coordinate with the concrete, plumbing and the electrical crews. Board Member Hartzler asked if their previous work had been reviewed. Motion made by Board Member Hartzler, seconded by Board Member Collison, to recommend the bid for \$132,826 from Nisley Construction as presented, Roll call: Ayes 5. Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Event Report- Recreation Coordinator Hagan stated that 22 people attended trivia night and over 100 were at the mother/son luau. Board Member Collison likes the idea of a different theme each year for the luau. Easter event is April 4 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, volunteers are needed. Board Member Hartzler may be able to help with this event. Live Healthy 5K is April 11; volunteers are also needed for this event for the finish line, refreshment table, half point water station and packet pickup. Board Member Cassler and Hartzler will be able to help along with Maribeth Arentsen.

**The following items were discussed as part of the Board Chair's comments:**

- Is there anything new for the Spring/Summer activities

**The following items were discussed as part of the Board Member's comments:**

- Board Member Cassler would like to know if the school is partnering with Recreation Coordinator Hagan and her new program called SNAP.

**The following items were discussed as part of the City Administrator's comments:**

- With the \$77,000 spread from the City park shelter bid he would like to add stand-alone restrooms at Lake Petocka. Restrooms will be done at BRSC in about a month, and city park restrooms will be done by this fall. There is a \$37,000 grant from the DNR and restrooms would be an acceptable use of the funds. Board agrees with putting restrooms at Lake Petocka.

**The following items were discussed as part of the Recreation Coordinator's comments:**

- Forming a new program called SNAP for special needs children and is looking into events like a float in the Summerfest parade and buddy baseball.

Board Chair Van Horn adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

A Regular meeting will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

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Misty Richardson-Kugler  
Administrative Assistant

ATTEST:

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Joe Van Horn  
Board Chair