

Meeting No. 16-10

CITY OF BONDURANT
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES

October 20, 2016

A Regular meeting of the City of Bondurant Parks and Recreation Board was held at City Hall, 200 2nd Street, Northeast, Polk County, Iowa on October 20, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Board Member Bryant Arns
Board Member Marian Collison
Board Member Michele Hartzler
Board Member Jason Holst
Board Chair Joe Van Horn
Recreation Coordinator Molly Rupert
City Administrator Mark Arentsen

Absent: Board Member Dennis Lyman
Board Member Jessi Cassler

Notice of the meeting was posted at the Bondurant City Center, Casey's General Stores, Legacy Bank and the Bondurant Post Office on October 18, 2016. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Board Chair Van Horn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Motion made by Board Member Collison, seconded by Board Member Hartzler, to approve the Parks and Recreation Board Agenda from October 20, 2016. Roll call: Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion made by Board Member Holst, seconded by Board Member Collison, to approve the Parks and Recreation Board Minutes from September 15, 2016. Roll call: Ayes: 4. Nays: 0.

Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County Conservation for Trail Connection- City Administrator Arentsen informed the Board that Efnor Estates Park sidewalk will be connected to the Chichaqua Valley Trail in about two weeks. The agreement was needed because Polk County Conservation technically owns that section of the Chichaqua Valley Trail.

2016 Shelter Reservations- City Administrator Arentsen reviewed shelter reservations for the 2016 season with the Board. Reservations this year are down a little bit from last year. Board Member Arns made the comment that the Lake Petocka South bathrooms were very dirty and hopes that they will be cleaned for community members that have reserved the Lake Petocka South Shelter. City Administrator Arentsen assured him that the Public Works Department will take care of the restrooms for reservations.

Reap Grant- City Administrator Arentsen stated that the City did not receive the latest Reap Grant and the planned Winter Park will not be funded. The sledding hill will still be done, but many of the other planned projects will not get finished. City Administrator Arentsen added that he is not sure the City has enough money to fund those projects.

Budget Review- No comments were made on the budget.

BRSC Update- The Little League and the City have been working on a lease so that the Little League will take over all operations of the BRSC. City Administrator Arentsen hopes that the City Council will approve the lease at its next meeting on November 7th. Board Member Arns wanted to know if the public could still use the fields. City Administrator Arentsen believes the public can still use the fields as long as Little League does not have any events scheduled.

Event Reports- Kids in the Kitchen: Halloween event went very well. Recreation Coordinator Rupert estimated that there were about 20 children who participated. She stated that there will be another event like this for the Christmas Holidays.

The following items were discussed as part of the Recreation Coordinators comments:

- Bondu Spook-Tacular is on Saturday, October 22nd and Recreation Coordinator Rupert is looking for some volunteers to help out.
- Blue Jay Basketball Club season has started. Around 170 kids are participating.
- Next big event is the Merry & Bright Parade on Saturday, December 3rd. Recreation Coordinator Rupert is working with the library on that and the Santa Social afterwards.

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

- Board Chair Van Horn attended a Men's Club meeting. The Men's Club would like to plant trees and put in picnic tables at the BRSC.
- Board Member Hartzer wanted to know if security cameras were going to be installed at City Park. City Administrator Arentsen assured her that they will be purchasing cameras by next spring.
- Board Member Holst wanted to know when the swings were going up on the Porch Swings and Fireflies project. City Administrator Arentsen hopes by Thanksgiving.

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

- Trail paving for the Gay Lea Wilson Trail is on time and going well.
- Efnor Estates, Pleasant Grove, and Cleveland Avenue Parks are all getting sidewalks installed in two weeks. No money at the moment for playground equipment, but would ultimately like to see Efnor Estates Park have a playground in the future.

Board Chair Van Horn adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

A Regular meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

Molly Rupert
Recreation Coordinator

ATTEST:

Joe Van Horn
Board Chair