

Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes January 26, 2023

Call to order at 6:03 pm by John Roach

In Attendance: John Roach, Duke Schaefer, Erin Hoskin, Erin Hinkel, Greg Burger, and Kerry Kemp

Absent: N/A

Visitors:

- Mayor Patrick Cooney
- Councilwoman Bridget King

Meeting Minutes:

No changes were requested for the minutes presented on December 21, 2022

Directors Report (Kerry Kemp)

Financial Updates

- Revenue & Expense Summary 2022 YTD vs 2021 TYD
 - Revenue
 - tax revenue increased
 - Membership decreased
 - Silver sneakers increased
 - Programs increased
 - Expenses
 - Staff wages decreased
 - Capital improvements increase
 - Maintenance increased
- 2023 Budget Hearing set for Saturday, February 18
 - 2022 annual report
 - Revenue and expense projections and comparisons and capital improvements

Gemini Center & Facility Updates

- Bain Cabin Shutdown Mar 13-Apr 7
 - Wood floors refinished
 - Windows Cleaned
 - Kitchen plumbing
 - Kitchen flooring
 - Deep cleaning
- Potential Gemini Facility Upgrades (pending council approval)
 - Gemini Sound System (new amps)
 - Studio 3 Revamp
 - Gym Upgrades (dividers, rims, pullies)
 - Access Control for Gemini
 - Strength Equipment upgrades
 - New Spin Bikes
 - New Rowers
 - Functional fitness equipment

- Cleaning Equipment (scrubbers, carts, vacuums, etc)
 - Safety Town Rebuild
- Potential Park Upgrades
 - Security Cameras
 - Morton Tennis & Pickleball Courts
 - Grannis Park Upgrades (lighting and cameras)
 - TCP Tennis & Pickleball Courts
- Discussion on storage (Mr. Roach)
 - Storing at Bain Park for community Band and Gemini Center for Youth Association
 - Need to look at storage policy and getting away from storing for groups or charging for storage due to risk/liability
- Discussion on Morton Tennis/Pickleball Courts timeline and Tri City Park
 - Core samples taken for engineering
 - Hope is to get the project done this year (Mayor Cooney)
 - Just announced that there is a HS boys' team
 - Pickleball fastest growing sport in nation
 - Tri-City Park update (Ms. Hoskin)
- Membership discussion
 - Can memberships be bought online? (Mr. Burger)
 - Residency verification needs to be made
 - Renewal notices sent by email? (Ms. Hinkel)
 - Has software application changed? (Mr. Roach)
 - Will be looked into
- Sunday Pickleball, 1-4pm
- Pool
 - Discussion:
 - Has a decision been made on the plan (Mr. Schafer)
 - Decision has not been made. Need more information. Once we have more information, a plan will be developed and taken to council. Want to have a solid number before moving forward (Mayor Cooney)
 - Core Samples: In process of securing quote to get samples to see what strength of walls are (Mayor Cooney)
 - A lot of the designs and specs have been developed for the building envelope. Need more info for the pool itself. Brandstetter Carrol Inc is our pool consultant and Bud Griffith (CRI) is building consultant (Mayor Cooney)
 - Survey Results: indications are people want the pools. Statistically responses show people want the pools and people support paying for the pool through property taxes anywhere from \$10-25/month. People are not supportive of repurposing (Mayor Cooney)
 - Any thought of combining funding approaches property taxes, income taxes, membership increase? (Mr. Roach)
 - Ballot timeline question (Councilwoman King)
 - Can't be on the May ballot as 3-months advance is needed (Mayor Cooney)
 - If you don't have the money, can't move forward (Mayor Cooney)
 - Analysis primarily focused on pools now versus building envelope (Mayor Cooney)
 - FAQ's document discussed (Mayor Cooney)
 - Total number of survey responses was discussed. Overall sentiment is that the total (1,600) was a pretty encouraging representation of the city (voters, households).

Programming Updates

- Youth Sports
 - Spring Sport Registration for Volleyball, Flag Football, Soccer

- Prospective 3rd-4th Grade Padded Flag Football discussed
- Adult Group Fitness
 - Health & Wellness Open House – Feb 4, 8:15-11am

Board of Education (Ms. Hinkel):

- Middle School Valentine Dance Feb 17
- HS Winter Formal Feb 18
- No school for everyone but Juniors on Feb 28 due to ACT. Conferences for those struggling
- Career Night March 9
- Townhall Mar 20

Council Report (Mr. Burger):

- Chapter 1148: Building Department Electric Vehicle charging stations permit rules discussed

Individual Park Report:

- Bain Park Restroom question: when will it be open.
 - Operations still need to be worked out but will likely be in line with the rest of the parks operations (Director Kemp)
- Bohlken Park recently assigned to Mr. Burger

Commissioner's exchange:

- No report

Recognition of Visitors:

- None

Adjournment: 7:18

Next meeting: Feb. 15th, 2023, at 6:00 pm in the Oak Room

