

## Park and Recreation Minutes

05/08/2023

The meeting was called to order by Committee member Nicole Bower. Present were Nicole Bower, Kacie Fahey, Mark Page, Tanya Borchardt, Danny Rubio and Dawn McCracken.

Sandwich board signs advertising the Food Truck Nigh will be put up throughout the City by Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>! Committee members that haven't signed up for a shift should contact Dawn.

The initial bid to add fencing around the 2-5 area at Sach's Park, which would make that area fully enclosed, was \$5,800. The Committee recommended that we keep this idea in mind for future park designs but do not add fencing to Sachs Park.

Our Earth Day make-up date was another cold and misty day, so we didn't have as many participants as expected. However, our Maintenance team was still able to get the cages built and all our new trees that were ordered for Earth Day, have been planted! Many of them are located by the disc golf park. Maintenance will tend to the trees as they grow.

Kacie researched nature signs from a local company called Vacker signs. The specialized signage would be for our newly landscaped area by Town Hall Park. An 11x17 pressure fitted sign would be approximately \$498.00. Kacie will inquire about more specific costs related to that sign as well as other options regarding what would happen if the sign is vandalized. She is looking into what replacement options would be available should the situation arise. The deadline for sign placement is June 30<sup>th</sup>. The Committee preference is this type of signage since it includes more information as well as pictures for the families to look at. Kacie will also check on turnaround time to have a sign made from this company. Dawn has also been looking at sign options that involve having a metal sign that leaves a space open for a QR Code. This code could be added at a later point to the sign and would lead to our website. The sign itself would be very basic but would have more detailed information available on the City website. Besides the sign costs, the City would need to hire a designer as specific formatting is required to create the sign. We do not have the software to complete that requirement. Some sign companies do offer that option for an additional cost.

New nets have been ordered for the ballfields at Stelzel Park and the bathrooms will be open on Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup>. One of the teams recommended we consider adding an equipment surcharge to contracts next year as many other cities do this to help defray the cost of field upkeep and equipment.

Mark put in an application to invite the Oscar Meyer hot dog truck to our Empire Celebration in August. He is awaiting a response as to their availability.

The meeting is adjourned!