

Park and Recreation Minutes

April 24th, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mike Carey. Present were Mike Carey, Mark Page, Kacie Fahey, Nicole Bower, Danny Rubio, Eric Hanson and Dawn McCracken.

Earth Day activities have been rescheduled for Saturday April 29th from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm due to poor weather conditions last Saturday. Supplies will be available at Hope Church for making the protective cages for our new trees arriving this week, as well as supplies needed for picking up trash along the trails.

A resident is requesting that the area for 2-5yrs be fenced in at Sach's Park. Dawn will ask Jerod to measure and research different bids for the Commission to review.

All vendors have been confirmed for the Food Truck Night! Nicole & Tanya will make the sandwich board signs and Jerod will update the large painted sign. Back House Organics will provide receptacles to the vendors to put their recyclable compost in and they will pick them up at the end of the event. Garbage cans will be emptied after the event and Farmington Park and Recreation will pick the trash up on Monday.

All entertainers have been confirmed for Sunday Night Entertainment! Check the Empire website for the full schedule. Park and Recreation members can sign-up for an event to volunteer at with Dawn.

The last step in the DNR projects is ordering and installing signs about the natural habitat around the Town Hall Park. The Park and Recreation Commission would like to include QR codes on the signs that would take you to a "Choose your Own Nature Adventure" index type option that would be listed on the Empire website. The sign itself would include facts about the area specifically and the website will provide additional, more in-depth information.

The four signs will include information about pollinators, native plants, the pond and the trees in the area. The same QR code will be imprinted on each 12 X 12 sign that will direct you to the online additional details. Kacie will research details for signs and send highlights to Dawn. We will also request the logo to be located in the top left corner of each sign.

Dawn contacted Jaeson Morrison, with Thrivent Financial, on the recommendation of the Rosemount Adult Enrichment coordinator. She will invite him to a future meeting so we can discuss potential financial class options to offer the community.

The fields at Stelzel Park have been opened for scheduled games. Unfortunately, there has been another round of vandalism at the fields. A report has been filed with the Sherriff along with a request for a camera to be placed at the fields. Jerod has ordered a new base and plugs that were needed at the field. The meeting was adjourned.

