



Mitchell Park, Recreation & Forestry Board Minutes

4/14/2022 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chris Retterath, President of Board at 6:05 PM

Present: Chris Retterath, Andy Jerke, Amanda Johnson, Pat Skinner, Austin Havlik. Council Liaison: Marty Barington

Absent: Luke Norden, Jeremy Gunkel

Staff present: Kevin Nelson, Kevin DeVries, Jeremy Nielsen, Angel DeWaard

2. PUBLIC INPUT - If You Need To Address The Park Board On An Item That Was Not On The Agenda, Excluding Personnel Items, Please Come Forward To The Podium And State Your Name And Concern. Presentations Will Be Limited To Three Minutes. Items Will Be Considered But No Action Will Be Taken At This Time.

3. DELEGATIONS

4. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

Motion Johnson, Second Jerke to approve Agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

5. Approval Of Minutes

Minutes of the March 10, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Motion Johnson, Second Havlik to approve the March 10, 2022 Minutes as read. Motion carried.

6. Financial Reports

Motion Jerke, Second Johnson to approve the Bills as submitted. Motion carried.

7. Department Reports

Recreation Board Report

March 11th – April 14th

Kevin DeVries

Programs:

-Youth wrestling wrapped up with the State tournament 26th. Our men's league basketball and Coed Volleyball ended their seasons in March and early April as well

-Jamie had her final session of winter swim lessons finish on April 14th

-The focus now is on summer programs. Our summer brochure came out on April 6th in the paper and in the schools on April 8. We have a digital copy on our website as well.

-Summer registration opens online April 18th at 8:00 am and walk-ins start April 20th.

-We are still looking for a few program positions and are in need of lifeguards as always.

Recreation Center:

-Numbers have stayed strong and our 24/7 numbers have doubled during the week.

-The space in the old pool has been very useful for the preschool and afterschool programs. We are excited about getting the 2nd phase of the room and get it completed by the end of the year.

-Our birthday parties are still doing well and expect April and May to be just as busy.

-The aquatic club has taken a break from practice as they are still in search of a new coach. This will affect our March and April revenue as we will not be collecting rental fees.

-The plaster issues in the 2 pools have continued to deteriorate. We have several new holes and more that we can see coming. Puetz did come and take some underwater pictures of the problems. The holes are strictly cosmetic and don't cause a structural issue. It just doesn't look good. As of now the plan is to close the 2 pools in late July after swimming lessons and redo both of them. The details of that will be coming soon.

Parks & Forestry

Board Report

April 2022

- Finishing up our tree removals
- Hauling out tree piles from around the lake
- Trimmed some trees and cleaned up some tree piles in Dry Run Park
- Put up tennis nets. Tennis practice started middle of March
- Putting out more trash cans in high use areas
- Picking up a lot of ground litter with all the wind we have been having
- Continuing cutting and splitting firewood for the Campground
- Changing oil and doing maintenance on equipment
- Repaired 4 dumpsters by welding on new metal bottoms on them
- Replace some boards on the west end boat dock and put it in the lake
- Cleaning graffiti off the restroom at Sandy Beach
- Doing interviews for seasonal staff
- Snow removal

PARK BOARD REPORT – SPORTS COMPLEX

APRIL 14, 2022

ICE ARENA:

- *Men's league tournament last weekend, 20 teams, 33 games.*
- *Hockey practices are done, finished on March 31. Figure skating practices will go until the end of the month. Last day for open skate/bumper cars will be April 24.*
- *Taking out Toshiba rink ice this week.*
- *Start to take ice out of Innovative rink first week in May.*
- *Staff has been doing ice maintenance and cleaning.*
- *Rinktec update.*

CADWELL:

- *Mitchell baseball and DWU baseball and softball have started. Mitchell spring baseball has 19 home games, JV has 8 home games. DWU baseball has 15 home games, JV has 4 game and softball has 12 home games.*
- *Travel team meeting was March 24. 14 teams came to the meeting. They have started practicing, weather permitting, on park fields and Cadwell softball fields.*
- *Last 2 scoreboard posts were set last week and scoreboards hung. Need to be wired and signs put on.*
- *We will be putting sun shades up on softball fields when we find a no wind day.*
- *Early Bird Tournament April 30.*
- *Staff has been busy cleaning bathrooms, garbage's, picking up leaves, working over fields, working at Drake.*
- *Turf update. Dedication April 29, around 12:30.*

SOCCER:

- *DWU women soccer had their last spring game April 10. They are done until fall.*
- *MSA started practice on April 4. Start games on April 16 for youth. Every Saturday thru May 21. Competitive league goes until June 26, no games scheduled.*
- *Staff has been putting nets on, before practices started. Painting fields and cleaning.*

8. Approve Schemmer Agreement For Professional Design Service - Rec Center Fitness Phase 2

DeVries submitted for Board approval the Schemmer Agreement for Professional Design Service - Rec Center Fitness Phase 2. After a brief discussion, Motion Jerke, Second Johnson to approve the Schemmer Agreement for Professional Design Service - Rec Center Fitness Phase 2 as submitted. Motion carried.

9. Approve Schemmer Agreement For Professional Design Service -Rec Center "Old Pool Room"

DeVries informed the Board this was signed by the Board at a previous meeting and no changes have been made. No action taken

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

May 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 6:45 PM