

## **New Carlisle Board of Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes**

June 28, 2024

Attendance: Jennifer Maure, Malaria Varnak, Bob Harbart, Carl Brown-Grimm, John Mrozinski, Sarah Mitchell, Alison Abbott, Calyn DeNeve, Sam Boniface - guest

Park Board President, Jen M. called the meeting to order: 6:04pm

### **Minutes**

Motion made by Calyn, seconded by Carl to approve the 4/22/2024 Board minutes as written. Motion carried and approved unanimously.

### **Appropriation Report**

Tabled until July

### **Visitor Comments**

No Comments

### **Old Business**

- a. Meeting Notifications: Discussion was held regarding notifications of regular park board meetings. Notifications will be posted 48 hrs prior to a meeting (physical) at town hall and location of meeting. Notifications will continue to be posted on Facebook as well.
- b. Ordinance Revision: Alison noted a vote will not be done right away. Once completed with a formal ordinance, a meeting will be held with the Park Board prior to a vote.
- c. Christmas Lights Display: Jen will update next meeting. Discussion was held regarding creating a Google form for distribution to local businesses as well as a donation letter with a follow up email. Board will need to confirm which fund will be utilized.
- d. Bourissa Fieldstone Repair: Hales Masonry quoted \$790 total cost which is a considerable savings. Hales Masonry sign posted at work site is under consideration.
- e. Spray Pad: Board confirmed splash pad opens Memorial Day. Cycle duration was decreased by 15 seconds. John will check with cost of "hours of operations" signage.
- f. Summer Concerts in the Park: Bands have been schedule for every wednesday in August through the first week of September. Budget will be provided by John regarding stipends.

### **New Business**

- a. Farmers Market:  
Sarah reported 16 vendors scheduled for opening day of the market. A request was made for the park facilities to put the banner posts on each side for Sarah to hang the banners for June 1st. Additionally, Sarah requested that the market advertising is on the town website.
- b. Pickleball:

Discussion was held regarding the pickleball project. John reviewed quotes with the Board. Arnt (Benton Harbor) quoted \$70,000 to do half the court; \$100,000 was quoted for a complete tear out and rebuild. It was noted comparatively, in 2014 (from the same vendor) \$12,000 was quoted. It was noted that Walts quoted \$8,000 which was kindly declined/tabled from the Board. John will look for additional funds to go towards the pickleball project. Additionally, John will get a recommendation regarding resurfacing prices and expected timeframe. Additional discussion regarding secondary location for the court, pricing and parking capabilities. Yvonne will meet with Alison and Jen to discuss budgeting.

c. Town Utilities:

John hired a new town utilities employee, Mike McClaren. He will attend the next Park Board meeting.

d. Children's Summer Park Program:

Introduction of Sam Haywood as the new Children's Summer Park Program director was made to the Board. Sam discussed her summer program plan with the Board.

**Next meeting**

The next Parks Board meeting will be held July 15th at 6pm. This meeting will be held at the New Carlisle Public Library.

**Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, Bob made a motion, seconded by Carl to adjourn. Motion carried and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm.