

CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK
Park and Recreation Advisory Board
Wednesday, August 5, 2020
Bicentennial Park Pavilion (off Holland Drive) – 5:30 P.M.
Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER:
2. ROLL CALL: James Barclay, Connie Olger, Jentery Farmer, Samantha Fountain, Mark Gonyea, George, Hicks, Rae Lynn Hicks, Steve Long, Trudy Plumb.
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES :
5. MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:
6. COMMUNICATIONS TO BOARD:
 - A. July 1, 2020 Minutes
 - B. Staff Letter
 - C.
7. REPORTS:
 - A. DPW Director
 - B. City Manager
 - C.
8. BUSINESS:
 - A. Disc Golf Course
 - B. Elms Park Bench Donation
 - C.
9. MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:
10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:
11. ADJOURNMENT:

CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK
SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN
PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AT ABRAMS PARK
JULY 1, 2020

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Barclay.

Members Present: Jentery Farmer, Mark Gonyea, James Barclay, Rae Lynn Hicks, George Hicks
Samantha Fountain, Connie Olger.

Members Absent: Steve Long, Trudy Plumb.

Staff Present: Andy Harris.

Others Present: Lania Rocha, Sandi Brill & Boots Abrams.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Farmer to approve the amended agenda of July 1, 2020, support by Gonyea. Motion carried by voice consent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Barclay to approve minutes of June 3, 2020 support by Fountain. Motion carried by voice consent.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: None.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD:

- A. June 3, 2020 Minutes
- B. Staff Letter

REPORTS:

- A. DPW Director: Mr. Harris gave an update on the repairs to bathroom and vandalism at Abrams Park. He received a quote for additional lighting hoping this will deter vandalism. Tree stumps and limbs have been removed at both parks.
- B. City Manager: Mr. Zettel was absent.

BUSINESS:

- A. Disc Golf: A group walked the site. Dawes construction is going to use the site for his construction staging and in turn he will do some grading and on the site. Mr. Barclay encouraged the board to think about a name for the course. Mr. Farmer suggested looking for donations for equipment and naming the holes after donators.
- B. Elms Maintenance Needs (2021 and beyond): Baseball fence needs work, tennis court and basketball court needs work. Looking for ideas for tennis court use ideas. These are all big dollar items. All the small yearly items have been done.
- C. Slip & Slide: Mrs. Hicks spoke to Mr. Melen about the plans and he informed her they had no plans to have the event, but if they park board wanted to have the event he would support it.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Sandi Brill, Swartz Creek Woman's Club, they are interested in making a rock garden at Bicentennial Park with park boards permission. They would have to alter the area and would like permission to do that. She provided photos of ideas that they are considering. They will also maintain the garden.

Mr. Harris suggested they get with him on the final plans for the project for his approval with his main concerns are that the mowing contractor can do his job without causing him more work or any issues mowing.

Motion by Barclay to allow Woman's Club to alter Bicentennial Park to make a rock garden with the final approval from Mr. Harris, support by Fountain.

Yes: R. Hicks, G. Hicks, Fountain, Olger, Farmer, Gonyea, Barclay.

No: None.

Barclay wants a vote on whether to have the 2020 Annual Slip & Slide, with a yes vote to have event and no to cancel event.

Yes: Fountain.

No: Barclay, G. Hicks, R. Hicks, Gonyea, Farmer, Olger.

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC: Sandi Brill spoke of board looking at purchasing bounce pillows and have them put in at the tennis courts.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Mrs. Fountain thinks the rock garden is a cool project. She also would like to see us do something or be involved in the Fall Festival.

Mr. Gonyea gave an update on the flagpole plaque he couldn't get ahold of anyone at the Veterans Foreign Affairs. Mrs. Hicks may have a contact and she will give that information to him. Mr. Harris did reply that the flagpole does need some help.

Mr. Farmer excited about the disc golf. He would like to see sponsors for each hole and having that hole named by the sponsor. He encouraged everyone to get the word out for donations/sponsors.

Motion by Barclay to have the August park board meeting at Holland Square park pavilion, support by Fountain. Motion carried by voice consent.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: August 5, 5:30 p.m.

Connie Olger, Secretary



Adam Zettel, AICP

City Manager

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Date: July 30, 2020

To: Park Commissioners
From: Adam Zettel, AICP
RE: August 5, 2020 Park Board Meeting

Hello everyone,

We will be meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 in the pavilion at Bicentennial Park off Holland Drive. This will be our second live meeting since the COVID restrictions. Folks will be expected to have masks and maintain social distancing. They will also be expected to ensure they, as well as those in their household, are not experiencing COVID symptoms.

Concerning disc golf, we are in a fortuitous position. The contractor that will be working on water main on Miller and Bristol Roads will be staging on the property. In exchange, we are expected to get a good base established for an aggregate parking area, driveways, and course grading! Volunteers have been marking and clearing fairways to establish the initial course layout. With a little bit of fundraising, we should be good to procure equipment and pad installation this year! The naming of this area is also a matter of discussion. There is not a clear donor that may earn naming rights that I am aware of. However, there is no shortage of local historical influences or features that could be used.

We hope to have a local person attend our meeting to offer a donation of a bench to Elms Park. I do not have much information at this point. However, we can always use and appreciate such generosity!

Contact me with additional future agenda items, questions, or comments.

Sincerely,

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