

Park & Recreation Committee June 14, 2021

Bubba Gregory called the Park & Recreation Committee to order at 1800

Attendance:

The following attended Dwight Jewell, Landon Gulley, Gary Claridy, Richard Johnson, Lonnie Taylor, Shane Burton, Beverly Atwood, Terry Gregory, Cliff Sallee, Tommy McFarland and Stephen Chambers.

Minutes from May 4, 2021:

Motion made by Gulley to accept minutes with one revision of: Next Scheduled is June 15th at 6pm to June 14th at 6 pm. and seconded by Burton. All in favor.

SWIMMING POOL

Sallee:

Swimming pool was up and running on time. Had 20-25 applicants with 13 applying for certification in Gallatin. Only 8 showed up for certification with 3 failing the first night and 5 successfully completing. Then it went down to 2 guards due to family vacations and one person breaking their arm. We requested application back in January and February, but no one came forward. My department is even down 4-5 people.

Gregory:

The committee worked hard to try to get this up and running. I would like to start now preparing to open for next year.

Taylor:

Is this lack of interest due to lack of pay? Any solutions to get someone to come in now that they are certified?

Sallee:

Do not believe so. Most have located other jobs in Gallatin. It's very discouraging and I've tried all I can.

Atwood:

Cliff thanks to you and your staff for all you have done.

LITTLE LEAGUE

Gulley:

Ashley from the little league board was planning to attend tonight although due to help shortage could not. She thought the tournament was not to start till Tuesday night although it was starting tonight. She is on board with any improvements. Have found that wood poles are okay. Lighting still must cover a certain amount of coverage. This may help with reduction of pricing.

Mayor:

I have tried to call different companies with response from only one. I believe we need to do a RFP and put it out for bids with the attachment of the 2017 Little League Standards/codes. Burton made a motion to develop the RFP and to place out for bids and seconded by Taylor.

Sallee:

I have been on vacation, although I did receive a quote from Musco. I will send this out to you all. This has been going on for 3-4 years now.

Gulley:

Do we need to add specific items in this RFP? In example: Wooden poles, LED lighting, separate switches for each individual fields and or areas, skate park lighting, Tball on/off panel?

Mayor:

Will add to RFP Little League Standards/Codes and make note of the specific items. All in favor.

DISC GOLF

Mayor:

I have sent the Disc Disciples the Chamber of Commerce link to assist them with getting sponsorships from local business for the \$8,000.00.

LPRF GRANT

Mayor:

We received the grant which is a 50/50 match of \$94,000.00. This is for the ADA improvements at the park; 2 ADA spaces, tear out and replace access to the pavilions, synthetic fiber material for the playground. They also agreed with the Safety Audit in which will help with future grants.

OTHER

Claridy:

Any update regarding the kids that were wanting to pain the Skate Park?

Gulley:

I did speak with them although I have not received anything from them.

Jewell:

Thanks to the Mayor for the effort in getting this grant.

NEXT MEETING

TBD, possibly in August.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Atwood and seconded by Burton.