

FARIBAULT PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
NOTES FOR JULY 25, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lola Brand, Chad Kreager and Bruce Krinke. MEMBERS ABSENT: Sally Kramer, Chris O'Neil, Elsie Slinger and Cheryl Sterling. STAFF PRESENT: Director Paul Peanasky and Administrative Assistant Denise Hansen.

- 1) Meeting was called to order by Bruce at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Director's Report:
 - a) Bikes for Public Use: Josh Ramaker, coordinator of the Rice County SHIP (Statewide Health Improvement Partnership) program, would like to start a program of having six to eight bikes for public use throughout the city. He has asked if the Parks & Recreation Department could manage the program. The bikes could have GPS installed on them so they can be tracked. And they could either check them out at the Community Center for a nominal fee or the bikes could just be left around town for public use. SHIP would purchase the bikes and would pay for original start-up costs. Board discussed and was concerned about the bikes being taken but thought overall it was a good idea. Paul will continue discussions with Josh regarding the program and bring back to the Board at a later date.
 - b) Bell Field: Bids for phase two of the Bell Field Project will be solicited in the next month. Phase two is replacing the façade on the front of the building and possibly extending the wrought iron fence to the outfield fence. As a separate item, Parks Staff plans to replace all grass in the infield this fall in preparation for the state tournament being held at Bell Field in a couple years.
 - c) Duct Work: Engineers are currently redesigning the duct work in the indoor pool area and designing return air in the upper wall on the west end of the indoor pool to control the heat and humidity. Paul stated the air handling unit will also need to be replaced in the near future.
 - d) New City Banners: City Council approved purchase of new banners for the City.
 - e) Mill Towns Trail: Bids were opened for construction of the trail from 17th Street to White Sands Dog Park. They plan to start construction the week after Labor Day. Expected completion is late summer of 2019.
- 3) Requests to be Heard: None.
- 4) Old Business:
 - a) Senior Center Expansion: Senior Center offices are moving in to the new addition next week. Paul stated he hopes to hold the August Parks and Recreation Board Meeting in the new area.
 - b) Parks Master Plan: Parks group is meeting tomorrow night and August 16th is the Placemaking event.
 - c) 1740 Willow Street: Nothing new to report.
 - d) Parks & Recreation Advisory Board By-Laws: Nothing new to report.
 - e) Student Board Representative: Nothing new to report.
 - f) Mural on Band Shell – West Wall: Nothing new to report.
 - g) Inclusive Playground: Suggestions were discussed for the Inclusive Playground Committee. Lola volunteered to serve on the committee unless someone else would rather.

- 5) New Business:
 - a) Basketball Court Location: Board discussed the location for building new basketball courts. Board agreed that their first option would be in North Alexander Park just east of the volleyball court. Other options include Wapacuta Park, east of shelter #2 at South Alexander Park and cleaning up the area under the viaduct bridge and putting a court down there as soon as possible.
- 6) Other: None.
- 7) Next Meeting:
 - a) Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 22, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Hansen, Administrative Assistant