February 12, 2020

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the City Clerk, a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was held at 5:30pm at the Recreation Commission Office.

Present were Commission Members: Chairman Kays, Commissioner Doherty, Commissioner Vital and Commissioner Welch.

Also attending Recreation Director Charles Thebado and Recreation Program Manager Zachary Lambert.

Approval of minutes 1-15-20
On a motion duly made by Commissioner Vital and seconded by Commissioner Doherty, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To accept the 1-15-20 minutes.

Life Scout, Troop 2 Marlborough………Patrick Hobin:

Mr. Hobin is a Life Scout of Troop 2 Marlborough; he is looking to earn the rank of Eagle. His Eagle project proposal is to remove and replace the scoreboard at Martin Angelo Field. He presented his project to the Commission and asked for their approval.
The Commission asked Mr. Thebado to contact Chris White of the DPW for his input regarding Mr. Hobin’s Eagle Project.
On a motion duly made by Commissioner Vital and seconded by Commissioner Doherty, it was unanimously:
VOTED: To accept the proposal upon Mr. White’s approval.

Parks Report:

Mr. White was not able to attend the meeting. Mr. Lambert gave the parks report on his behalf:

- The Parks Crew is busy cleaning all parks and servicing their equipment for the spring.
- They have brought safety fiber up to standards at Simpson, Memorial Beach, First Rd, Ward, Stevens, and will complete Ghiloni soon.
- A request was sent to Public Facilities to address the stairs at Lower Stevens. Also, Mr. White spoke with Mr. Ghiloni about backstop repairs at Stevens.
- Depends on weather conditions within the next week, we should be getting on our natural turf field and start addressing the infields on Stevens Fields.

Recreation Report………………………… Charles Thebado, Director:

Mr. Thebado gave the following Recreation Department updates:

- PWA starts next week. Week sold out.
- Winter programs are wrapping up. Spring programs will begin next month.
  All program information is on our website.
- Project Clean -Sweep will take place on Saturday, May 2nd. We are working with the DPW, Conservation and the Mayor’s office to coordinate the event.
• We met with the Aquatics personnel to start formulating summer staff and training dates.
• Finalizing Project Summer Adventure dates with camp director Rick Cincotta. We may add an additional week due to the late date of Labor Day this year. Sign-ups will be taking place sometime in March.
• Scheduling upcoming Movie in the Park dates and locations.
• Summer Concert Series scheduled has been set. Announcement will be made once the city budget has been passed by City Council.
• Started work on summer sports programs with Skyhawks. Dates and times should be completed in early March.
• Working on budget spreadsheet for Mayor’s office. Will be addressing temporary part time help and aquatic supplies line item. (increase due to increasing minimum wage and additional splash pad chemicals that will be needed for Stevens Park.)

The Commission thanked Mr. Thebado and Mr. Lambert for the report.

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm

Attest to:

Simela Perdikomatis  
Senior Clerk / Commission Secretary