



PARKS AND ATHLETICS COUNCIL MINUTES

February 11, 2020

Present: Valerie DeBoe, Vonnie Tharp, Bob Brock, Sue Stuhl, Randy Armstrong, Jeff Ulian, Kami Darakshani, Debbie Pinchok, Alderman Drew Burnette.

Absent: Bryce Baxter, Scott Russ, Jeff Devlin, Lauren Cox

Chairperson Valerie DeBoe called the meeting to order at 6:03.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the field allocation process. Sue will have a letter drafted that addresses fairness, equitable access and cooperation among all groups requesting time on our fields. The “pre” meeting when coaches/representatives meet to work out their rental times is not a Town function. We do offer the time and location for all interested parties to meet. There have been concerns expressed over pressure being exerted and unequal opportunity for field time. The Council has the final approval on field allocation and can have discussion and redistribution of field time if indicated by any group’s or individual’s behavior.

Debbie moved to accept the minutes of the January 14 meeting and it was seconded by Kami and approved.

The “40 for 40” Fitness Campaign will kick off with sign ups soon. Registrations will begin in March and the Campaign will run from April 1-June 30. There will be late registration allowed through April 30. The Council reviewed the possible gift/prize options for those completing the challenge. Valerie moved to select the cooling towel with Town logo as the gift. Vonnie seconded and it was approved. Sue has already requested \$1,000 in the budget for next year since the hope is that each year the Town can sponsor a similar challenge event with a different activity.

Sue gave an update on our ongoing projects. Anchor Park is nearing completion and the walk through inspection will be soon. The grant committee also does an inspection to assure all ADA guidelines have been met. Merit Construction has done a great job. They should meet their deadline of March 15.

The Campbell Station Inn project has been slowed due to extensive rains and being unable to work in the mud and wet conditions. The deadline will need to be extended due to weather.



McFee Park received one bid from Merit for the construction project that was \$80,000 under the budgeted \$8,000,000. It includes 4 “alternatives” that can alter the cost as needed. Drew said that the Town requires a budget that includes 5% extra for overage expenses. There will be a workshop on Thursday at 6 PM prior to the BOMA meeting to discuss the bid and the options for the construction.

The Community Center is open for membership now with upcoming events including a photography competition, the Singer/Songwriter Showcase on February 29 (almost a sellout already), and The Shamrock Ball on March 7.

The gym is being utilized now by the Senior Center members and they have it scheduled on M-W-F from 7:30-11:30 AM and T-Th from 11:30 AM-3:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Pinchok, Secretary