

PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES CITY OF DYERSVILLE

January 25, 2021

Meeting called to order by Scott Kluesner at 7:00 P.M.

Commission Members Present: Scott Kluesner, Sarah Goldsmith, Jon Scherbring, Wes Burkle, Matt Monahan, Taylor Klostermann

Commission Members Absent: Adam Huehnergath

City Staff Present: Gavin Nadermann, Mick Michel & Sandy Oberbroeckling

Others Present: Mike Singleton, Ken Porter, Chris Christensen (all representatives from ACCO)

Oral Comments: None

Approve January 25, 2021 agenda

Kluesner asked for review and approval of the agenda. Goldsmith made a motion to approve the Monday, January 25, 2021 agenda. Motion seconded by Burkle.

Voice Call Vote: **AYES:** All
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Adam Huehnergath

Motion Carried

Approve Minutes

Kluesner asked for comments or changes and there were none. Monahan made a motion to approve the December 28, 2020 minutes. Motion seconded by Scherbring.

Voice Call Votes: **AYES:** All
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Adam Huehnergath

Motion Carried

Receive & File: Director's Report – December 2020

Oral Comments: None.

Klostermann made a motion to receive and file the December 2020 Director's reports. Motion seconded by Scherbring.

Voice Call Votes: **AYES:** All
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Adam Huehnergath

Motion Carried

Item #1: Aquatic Center Improvements

Three employees from ACCO (Ken Porter, Mike Singleton, and Chris Christensen) attended the meeting via Zoom. It was asked if a custom slide would be more expensive than a standard slide. A custom slide would not be a lot more than a standard slide (~\$15,000-\$20,000). Where the expense would be is if we need to cut concrete or install a new embed. A larger custom slide would run around \$25,000 plus freight, depending on the current make up of the mechanical functions.

The best way to get estimates is to choose an item and take a look at the attachments. ACCO does primarily rehabilitations or splash pads, so they are well suited for this project.

It was questioned whether each feature ran off its own pump. Gavin thought they each had their own pump, which would be better. Goldsmith questioned what age group we were shooting for and how long until we install the splash pad. Michel felt we won't be installing the splash pad area for 3 to 5 years. Michel stated that we want a feature(s) that fit the area. We may need to alter our plans for something that will fit. ACCO's biggest concern is what will fit. They do not want us to be shocked when something won't work. We need to decide where we want to place features; however, we may not have a choice based on what is currently there. Michel or Nadermann will send ACCO the plans for our current features so they have a better idea what we are working with.

Michel would like a turnkey price. Kluesner recommended choosing two options and getting prices and checking to see if these items will work in the desired area. After some discussion, it was decided that we go with the glove slide and the Batter Up! water sprayer. Burkle asked what material was used for the slide. The slide is made of Aqua Armor, a solid foam density. They usually last 10 – 15 years. Monahan questioned if there is any type of soft pad for behind the stairs, should a child fall backwards. There is not but we could put something there. The small slides have 3 stairs and the medium slides have 4/5 stairs. The commission chose to go with the baseball mitt slide (medium size) and the Batter Up! Sprayer. ACCO (Mike) will get us prices and check the plans on current piping to see if it will work. They hope it will work, but they can't make any promises.

Scherbring inquired about whether we can replace the bubble up areas. ACCO felt that these are usually tied together, so they would have to take a look at the way they currently work.

ACCO said Mark could get a rendering of a splash pad free of charge.

Item #2: City Square Update

Based on news media and feedback, many questioned the baseball theme so they had RDG redesign the square idea. The City Council approved the new design for the City Square from RDG. We have many events that can take place down there: The Market sponsored by YP; Downtown Friday Night; Ragbrai; and other special events. Larger park space will tie in with the trail system in the near future. We are somewhat restricted because it was purchased with FEMA dollars. They are looking for donations/sponsors to pay for these improvements. Scherbring is concerned with the width of the sidewalk near the market area. He feels the sidewalk should be 12 or 15 ft wide. Also, unsure if we should have the canopies or if they should be in another location. Currently the market is on a first come, first serve basis. This will allow some vendors to have cover and others to not have cover. Not sure if

