

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF DYERSVILLE

July 13, 2022

Meeting called to order by Sarah Goldsmith at 6:05 P.M.

Commission Members Present: Matt Monahan, Jon Scherbring, Sarah Goldsmith, Nathan Huebner

Commission Members Absent: Scott Kluesner and Taylor Klostermann

City Staff Present: Adam Huehnergath and Sandy Oberbroeckling

Oral Comments: None

Approve July 13, 2022 agenda

Goldsmith asked for review and approval of the agenda. Huebner made a motion to approve the Wednesday, July 13, 2022 agenda. Motion seconded by Scherbring.

Voice Call Vote: **AYES:** All
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Kluesner & Klostermann

Motion Carried

Approve June 14, 2022 Minutes

Goldsmith asked for comments or changes and there were none. Monahan made a motion to approve the June 14, 2022 minutes. Motion seconded by Scherbring.

Voice Call Votes: **AYES:** All
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Kluesner & Klostermann

Motion Carried

Receive & File: May 2022 Director's Report

Oral Comments: None

Monahan made a motion to receive and file the May 2022 Director's report. Motion seconded by Scherbring.

Voice Call Votes: **AYES:** All
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Kluesner & Klostermann

Motion Carried

Item #1: Skateboard park for Spring

Since the repurposing of the skateboard park, there has been a small, but vocal group that wants a new skateboard park. They raised money 15 years ago for the equipment. It was a place many kids used as a hang out, rather than getting into other things. This location was originally set up for a type of netted sports. The kids just want a place to skate and hang out. It wouldn't necessarily need to be fenced in.

Maybe a concrete pad near the new pickleball courts or at Westside Park near the basketball court would work. There are lights at Westside Park, so that may be a better location. Do we have any money for the skateboard park? Would we be able to obtain a grant for this purpose? If we could update the equipment, that would be great.

Item #2: Update on pool features

We received notice from ACCO that the glove slide will not pass the state inspection. A similar item was installed at another Iowa city and could not pass the state inspection; therefore, we cannot install this item. Huehnergarth will be meeting with ACCO. It was questioned as to what is going on with the shade materials. We do not have the space to install the shading that they are wanting. There is shading on the grassy area from the trees. Huehnergarth stated that grass in the pool is not an issue.

Item #3: Field of Dreams Tournaments – Planned Updates

We only have 3 remaining tournaments. These tournaments are not taking up slots for our games or practice times. Huehnergarth has only had to move 2 games all season.

Field of Dreams is hoping to have their fields ready next year. They will have more teams playing in their tournaments so our fields will be used as the overflow fields. Huehnergarth recommended all committee members to stop out at a game to see how well things are going. They are usually using our fields Friday through Sunday so it doesn't really impact our baseball/softball leagues. Huehnergarth plans to meet with Dan Evans to discuss all the aspects of these tournaments.

It was questioned as to whether the contract was renewed with Commercial Club Park. Huehnergarth was unsure if it was renewed. The first few tournaments were very large, so there were a few issues with garbage and bathrooms. This was not a good time to discuss a renewal with them. Parking was also somewhat of an issue when there are weddings at the pavilion. Suggested that maybe signage would rectify this problem, indicating where baseball patrons would park versus wedding guests.

Item #4: Pickleball updates

The pickleball courts will be resurfaced in the next 4-6 weeks. Landscapers or City workers will also be working on landscaping to make it look nicer. We are currently using a borrowed baseball windscreen to get us by for now. We definitely need to put up a windscreen because the pickleballs are so light that they are easily carried by the wind. It was questioned as to whether or not we'd like our Dyersville Logo on the new windscreen. We are not really sure what to put in the 15 foot area in the center. This area would be a good place for players to sit and wait. Area cities have already started up leagues. We should plan to do the same.

It was questioned as to whether or not the tennis courts would be resurfaced. Huehnergarth said we are looking at Spring to do both the tennis court and basketball court. If we would have tried to get the tennis courts done when we did the pickleball court, we would have been very delayed.

Item #5: Baseball/Softball updates

The weather has been very good for the baseball/softball season. The fact that we have 7 fields to play on also helps. Our summer help, Conner Grover has done a great job with prepping the fields. Garbage continues to be an issue, as are the bathrooms. It was asked if we have any control over the Prairie League Schedule. The response from Huehnergarth was "no". Some of the parents are stating that they want the

