

Minutes from February 27, 2023 Knox Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Attendance:

Board Members Present: Autumn Ferch, Ruth Bailey, Glenn Barnes, Gary Dulin, Nathan Bradley, and Lora Estok.

Board Members Not Present:

Others Present: Karl Swihart, Stefanie Bartoli

Amendments to Agenda for February 27, 2023

- None

Acceptance of minutes from January 23, 2023: Motion – Glenn, 2nd – Gary. All in favor.

Public Comment

- Stefanie Bartoli – attending meeting to further discuss a dog park. The board asked her to attend the 5 year park plan meeting on March 6th.

Presentation of Financials

- No discussion

Old business

- 5 Year Park Plan
 - Public input session planned for March 6th from 5-8 at the community center.
- Concession Stand Contract
 - Add no parking in grass other than for unloading.
 - Karl is to perform monthly inspections.
 - At the new concession stand, add should be open a minimum of 5 days a week and the suggested hours are from 11-3, in addition to the events dates stated in the contract.

New Business

- 2023 Concession Stand Application
 - There were two applicants Bobby Trusty and Julie Dessauer with Papa Farm Pizza.
 - Motion was to offer it to Bobby first. It would be easier for Karl to deal with one person rather than 2 for this year.
 - Motion – Nathan, 2nd Gary. All in favor.
- Picnic Table Donation to American Legion
 - The legion has a broken picnic table and wanted to know if we would donate a wooden one.
 - Motion to donate a wooden table.
 - Motion – Glenn, 2nd – Nathan. All in favor.

- Matt Schmidt Memorial Park Bench
 - Tanya Parker – Matt’s mother wants to get a memorial bench to put by the basketball court.
 - Motion to approve her to begin fundraising for the bench. Placement of bench can be discussed after it’s purchased.
 - Motion – Ruth, 2nd – Lora. All in favor.
- T-ball dugout quotes
 - The total quote for all 4 dugouts is \$16,580 from Pitman’s.

Director’s Report

- Karl provided updates for all current programs.
- Upcoming programs include: mommy/son event on May 6th, Youth sand volleyball camp, adult softball, adult sand volleyball, youth sports camp, youth umpire class, craft class and tournaments May 12-14, June 16-18, June 23-25.
- Karl met with the seniors at an aerobics class. They would be interested in the following events: aquatic exercise, bingo, cornhole, cards, daytrips, picnics, potluck, inside walking, outside walking, jam center.
- Community Foundation Grant
 - Applied for Diamond Mix, Blower, Cornhole boards, chess tables, dugouts, and fountains for a total of \$43,632.
- Karl would like to recognize Shane Vanasdall for all of his work with the little kid camp. Possibly going to present him with an award at the school awards banquet.
- Dusty Allen is working on the gate for field 4.

Board Member Comments

- At a previous meeting the board agreed on a concession stand fee for the winter.
 - Motion to not charge Bobby for the winter because they were not open much.
 - Motion – Gary, 2nd – Lora. All in favor.
- Motion to Adjourn – Ruth, 2nd – Glenn. All in favor