

KASSON PARK BOARD MINUTES JUNE 19, 2018

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a meeting of the Kasson Park Board was duly held at Kasson City Hall on the 19th day of June at 6:00 P.M.

THE FOLLOWING PARK BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: Doug Buck, Liza Larsen, Janet Sinning and Roger Franke

THE FOLLOWING WERE ABSENT: Greg Kuball, Chuck Coleman and Jason Farnsworth

ALSO PRESENT: Parks & Rec Supervisor Ron Unger and Deputy Clerk Jan Naig

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:01 P.M. by Chairperson Larsen.

Naig has done some research on what number is required for a quorum. A majority is required, so four members must be present.

II. Approve minutes: Motion by Franke and second by Sinning, with all voting Aye, to approve the Minutes of the April meeting and the notes from the May meeting.

II. New Business:

A. Park projects. Unger gave a list of projects to be completed in the parks.

-Lions Park Shelter. City crews are doing dirt work to prepare for Cleary's to begin work on the 28th. They should be done with construction of the structure in seven to ten days. The cement pad will follow.

-Merry-go-round. The playground equipment and tiles have been ordered and should arrive around July 20th. Unger plans to have it installed by mid-August.

-Batting cage. City crews will work on constructing the batting cage after Festival in the Park.

-If funds are available, a pad will be poured behind the backstop in J. Hyde Kasson Park and player benches installed in East Diamond Park.

-Park signage. Install signs in J. Hyde Kasson Park and Meadowland Park.

-Lions Park. Begin work on the gravel parking lot near the disc golf course.

B. Veterans Memorial Park parking lot. The access road and parking lot into Veterans Memorial Park is closed for four weeks (until July 6th) due the street construction project. A gate has been installed to prevent vehicles from using the park service road.

C. Stump removals. City crews will begin stump removals after the Lions Park shelter construction is underway. There are 40 to 45 stumps to remove.

D. Festival in the Park. Josh Gilbertson is willing to do the garbage collection in Veterans Memorial Park during Festival in the Park. He will either have Mallory Fjerstad or Isaac Fjerstad as his helper.

Motion by Buck and second by Sinning, with all voting Aye, to hire Josh Gilbertson and a helper August 11th and 12th at \$13.00 per hour to take care of the garbage during Festival in the Park.

A comment was made about the amount of garbage that is left on the park grounds after youth ball tournaments. Unger will contact Mike Maxwell about the condition of the parks after youth events.

IV. Old Business:

A. Lions Park shelter update. See New Business. Item A. Park projects.

B. Boulevard tree planting. All trees have been planted for the boulevard tree program and for the street assessment project. The total number of trees planted is 110. There were more issues with the tree planting this year.

C. Merry-go-round update. See New Business. Item A. Park projects.

V. Correspondence: Unger will be part of a meeting with NextEra Energy on July 9th at 4:00 P.M. They would like to showcase Lions Park as a “solar park”. Unger will keep the Board informed of what happens at the meeting.

Sinning has been contacted by Jenny Carrier of K-M Community Ed about putting information about a tree lighting ceremony in their brochure. Unger will set up a tree in Veterans Memorial Park, but someone will need to decorate it. Larsen will see if the Chamber of Commerce will decorate it.

Motion by Sinning and second by Larsen, with all voting Aye, to have a tree lighting ceremony in Veterans Memorial Park on Friday, November 30th at 6:30 P.M.

VI. Adjourn: Motion by Sinning and second by Buck, with all voting Aye, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Chairperson

Deputy Clerk

There will not be a July meeting. The next scheduled meeting will be August 21st.