

KASSON PARK BOARD MINUTES
APRIL 21, 2020 DRAFT

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a meeting of the Kasson Park Board was duly held at Kasson City Hall on the 21st day of April, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

THE FOLLOWING PARK BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: Janet Sinning, Liza Larsen, Dan Egger, Greg Kuball and Chuck Coleman

THE FOLLOWING WERE ABSENT: Roger Franke, Jason Farnsworth and Deputy Clerk Jan Naig

ALSO PRESENT: Parks & Rec Supervisor Ron Unger and City Administrator Timothy Ibisch

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairperson Larsen.

Coleman asked about the banner for the "Save the Wall" project. Sinning explained the banner was made for the Dodge County Expo. Since the Expo was cancelled, the banner is now on display downtown Kasson.

II. Approve minutes: Motion by Kuball and second by Coleman, with all voting Aye, to approve the minutes of the March 2020 meeting.

III. New Business:

A. Aquatic Center 2020 Season. The Aquatic Center opening is on hold until the MN Department of Health and the Governor's executive order will allow us to open. Depending upon the date, there may need to be adjustments to the hours and programs offered and limits on the numbers in the facility at any given time. It may be necessary to suspend all season memberships and only charge daily fees. Due to the uncertainties, no updated pictures will be taken for season pass holders. There will be more discussion at the May Park Board meeting.

There was also some discussion about having Webber Recreation come earlier in the summer to work on resurfacing the slides if the facility is not able to be opened.

Motion by Egger and second by Kuball, with all voting Aye, to have a pool opening date no later than July 15th, 2020.

B. Adult Softball 2020 Season. Unger has been in contact with the league commissioner. The adult softball season is on hold until the State allows all communities to begin play. The latest that we can wait and still have a season will be the first week in June. The fields will still be maintained on a regular basis even if no games are scheduled.

- C. Boulevard Tree Planting.** Twenty residents have ordered around 35-40 trees. The Treehouse is looking at the end of May or early June to plant.
- D. 2020 Arbor Day.** National Arbor Day in April has been cancelled. The City's Arbor Day event will be held on May 8th, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. at East Diamond Park. Coleman will check with the Lions Club to see if any members will be able to attend. Two trees will be planted. Unger will contact the DCI to see if they will place a picture and article in the paper.

There was also some discussion about the new Tree City USA sign that recognizes our 40th year in the program. Unger is looking into possible sites to place the sign.

IV. Old Business:

- A. Veteran's Park Stone Wall.** John Olive left a message that one of the masons was going to look at the wall on Saturday, April 18th. Egglar met with Olive and the mason and was told that the mason feels the wall is savable. He will give an estimate for the total cost of repairing the wall. Olive has limestone that will be donated for the project.
- B. Park Projects 2020.**
 - 1. Picnic shelter – Meadowland Park. The Parks Department has the materials for the shelter. Unger is getting pricing for the cement work.
 - 2. 2 Park signs – Meadowland and J Hyde Kasson Park. Signs can be installed once utility locates are done.
 - 3. J Hyde Kasson Park – install cement pad behind backstop
 - 4. Veterans Memorial Park-put yellow safety tile on North 2 ballfield fence
 - 5. Playground modular – Meadowland Park. Unger has pricing from Webber Recreation. Waiting to hear if budget will allow for the purchase.
 - 6. Tree work and stump grinding
 - 7. Lions Park- Install flagpole and landscaping. Plant trees in disc golf course.
 - 8. Seed grass where houses were demolished on East Veterans Memorial Hwy and on the 15th Street NE frontage road.

V. Correspondence: None.

VI. Adjourn: Motion by Egger and second by Coleman, with all voting Aye, to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 P.M.

Chairperson

Deputy Clerk

The next scheduled meeting will be May 19th.