

## **KASSON PARK BOARD MINUTES JULY 19, 2022**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a meeting of the Kasson Park Board was duly held at Kasson City Hall on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

**THE FOLLOWING PARK BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:** Janet Sinning, Chuck Coleman, Jon Knutson, Ryan Christensen, Chris Petree and Greg Kuball

**THE FOLLOWING WERE ABSENT:** Liza Larsen

**ALSO PRESENT:** Parks & Rec Supervisor Ron Unger, City Administrator Tim Ibisch and Deputy Clerk Jan Naig

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

**II. Approve minutes:** Motion by Christensen and second by Kuball, with all voting Aye, to approve the minutes of the May 2022 Park Board Meeting.

### **III. New Business:**

- A. Oath of Office-Knutson.** Naig administered the Oath of Office for Jon Knutson. His term will extend through December 2024. Introductions were made.
- B. Aquatic Center updates.**
  - The new computer system is working well. Unger will have more detailed reports for the next meeting. The Board will consider how things worked and the changes that need to be made at the end of the season.
  - Due to staffing, the pool may be closed earlier in August. Unger is working with the managers to see if the date can be extended. There may need to be reduced hours after August 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - There was a MN Department of Health inspection on July 5<sup>th</sup>. There were two citations noted. New signage will be ordered for the chlorine storage because the existing signs have faded. There was a citation for some mold on the floor at the base of a sink.
  - There was one incident where a child slipped off the side of a diving board and was injured. Rules will be posted for use of the diving boards.
  - There was discussion about the guards modeling their behavior even while on breaks and about them being more proactive to use their whistles to stop some bad behaviors. Signs will be posted to remind patrons not to run and to avoid horseplay at the facility.
- C. Festival in the Park.** The dumpsters and garbage bins have been ordered. City crews will be working on repairing the old stone planter. Two people will need to be hired for garbage detail. They will be paid \$20.00 per hour. Sand has been added to the diggers in the Park play area.
- C. K-M Youth Soccer email.** Sam Wiegand of the Youth Soccer Association sent an email asking the City to work with their association to establish more soccer fields within the City. It was suggested that J. Hyde Kasson Park be

used for soccer since the ball field is underutilized. Unger will contact Wiegand and try to set up a meeting to discuss possible locations and their contribution before the August meeting.

**IV. Old Business:**

**A. Lions Park parking lot update.** SL Contracting is doing the preparation for the Lions Park parking lot this month. The paving should be done in August.

Unger reported that the wood chips for the Lions Park modular arrived. The Lions Club members helped to spread them around the modular.

The Lions Club will also be adding their logo to the north end of the picnic shelter.

**B. Veterans Park stone wall update.** Stone by Stone should be here this week to finish their part of the project. Reticulated Stone will finish their portion once the cement and sidewalk work is done. Unger would like to have the project completed before Festival in the Park.

Sinning indicated her committee is still looking into the signage that will highlight historical information about the wall. They have the funds. They will work with Unger and Ibisch before placing an order.

**V. Correspondence:**

-Kuball reported someone stopped him at the store to thank the Park Board and the City staff for the fantastic job they have done with the ball fields.

-Coleman reported he attended a family reunion in Veterans Memorial Park. He received many good comments about our park facilities from family members.

-Christensen asked about the possibility of allowing food truck vendors to sell in Veterans Memorial Park when the concessions stand is not operating.

**VI. Adjourn:** Motion by Christensen and second by Petree, with all voting Aye, to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 P.M.

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Acting Chairperson

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Deputy Clerk

The next scheduled meeting is August 16<sup>th</sup>.