Pendleton Park Board Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2022

I. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Park Board President Bryan Williams. Additional board members present: Brian Slick, Lauretta Gray, Lindsey Madinger, Steve Wills and Ana Blake. Also present, Park Director Aaron Burris, Park Attorney Bill Davisson, Maintenance Director Donnie Meyer, Pool Manager Londa Bennett, Park Secretary Bobbi Cline, Karen Ledbetter, Joe Noel, Laura Meyer and Marissa Skaggs.

II. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve March 23, 2022 meeting minutes made by Lindsey Madinger, 2nd by Ana Blake. March meeting minutes were approved.

III. Sahm's Smokehouse Update – Report submitted

- a. Sales have steadily increased. Have not hit breakeven yet but are looking to make a profit in Period 5.
- b. Beer garden is open and will be hosting live music Friday and Saturday nights.
- c. Staffing is still an issue, but current staff is working hard and making things work.

IV. Friends of Falls Park – Joe Noel

- a. The Friends of Falls Park service day at Charlene's Corner was a big success with 20+ volunteers showing up.
- b. The Farmer's Market will have their opening weekend May 7. 62 vendors have signed up plus at least 5 for junior day each month. There will be no music due to music rights.

V. Sports Complex – Aaron Burris for Todd Miller

- a. PJB has its opening this coming weekend and will be doing their parade. Rugby is also set to start.
- b. Ana Blake asks why the bleachers aren't out. Aaron Burris responds, PJB owns the bleachers and makes the decision on when to place them.
- c. Ana Blake notes that taking money for parking is causing traffic backups down 67.
- d. Ana Blake asks what can be done about standing water. Aaron Burris answered, there is not much that can be done due to high water table.
- e. Why are there so many weeds still at the complex with opening weekend coming up? Aaron Burris answered, the weather hasn't been good for spraying but that it would be done as soon as possible.

VI. Golf Course – Aaron Burris

- a. The golf course has been contending with bad weather. However, when the weather is nice, the club is very busy.
- b. The rough mower was down for a time but has been repaired and brought back.
- c. Men's club starts this weekend with ladies' league beginning on Monday.

VII. Pool – Londa Bennett

- a. Hiring will be complete by this weekend. Wage increase has been very helpful in recruiting.
- b. Pool cleanup day will be May 14.
- c. Swim club will have the pool June 24 and 25. Cost to be \$1650; Motion made by Lauretta Gray, 2nd by Brian Slick.
- d. Pool will open for summer kick off May 26.
- e. GVC Mortgage has once again sponsored the pool for \$20,000.
- f. Currently looking for Donate to Dive sponsors. \$250, if they already have a sign, will support 5 kids; \$500, with new sign, will support 10 kids.

VIII. New Business

- a. Playground Bid Packets
 - i. Playground plan was reviewed. Approval was requested to release bid packets.
 - ii. Old equipment is not salvageable. It would not be cost effective to attempt resale.
 - iii. December 1, 2022 is the projected completion date as of now.
 - iv. Surfacing will be pour-to-play and play mulch. Final surfacing may depend on supplies.
- b. Park Enhancements
 - i. Prior to prom hanging baskets will be put up in Gazebo, Gazebo and fountain will be power washed.
 - ii. Community Building repaint has had two bids: \$1455 local painter, roll on paint; \$2322
 Anderson painter, spray.
 - 1. Lower bid was accepted.
 - 2. Color was chosen by Layla Robinson and Lauretta Gray.
 - iii. Park entrance redo has been quoted at \$35k. More quotes are requested.

IX. Old Business

- a. Pets and Vets is set to close in May.
- X. Maintenance Donnie Meyer, Maintenance Director
 - a. Work report was submitted to the board.
 - b. Work has begun on the disc golf course. This will repair damage from the 2019 tornado as well as make the 9-hole course an 18 hole.
 - c. Pool preparations began with draining the pool and getting ready to install repaired pump.
 - d. All of the restrooms have been de-winterized and are open for use.
- XI. Director's Report Aaron Burris, Park Director
 - a. Closing on the 2022 Bond has happened and the money deposited.
 - b. Disc golf course should be complete and ready for competitions in mid-August.
 - c. Soccer season has begun with 630 players which is up about 150 from last year.
 - d. The garden club will be redoing the front of the community building with local, hardy plants/flowers.

e. Steve Wills asks if the Friends of Falls Park would be willing to redo the butterfly garden that is near the log cabin. Joe Noel responded that yes, the friends would be happy to do that.

XII. Approval of Claims from March 2022

The Register of Claims for March 2022 was circulated and motion to accept Register of Claims for March 2022 made by Ana Blake, 2nd by Steve Wills. Approved by all. Members present signed the register of claims for March 2022.

7:05 pm Meeting adjourned by President Bryan Williams.