

MONTHLY MEETING
March 11th, 2024 - 6:00PM

Board Members: Seim, Syrup, Irvine, Hell, Stromberg

Present : Seim, Irvine, Praska, Hell

Community Guests: NA

Absent: Stromberg, Syrup

Meet Called to Order by: Ashley Seim

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes and Financials: 1- D. Irvine 2- M. Hell

OLD BUSINESS

Community Building Committee Update

Renderings are all up to date and the rendering boards are ready. A draft letter is being made for the hospital board meeting in March with an asking request. A draft letter to the city has been started as well. A potential ask is for a \$3 million bond. There is talk about creating a joint board with the city/park board to alleviate day to day operations once the building is in operation. This would be similar to the arena commission. Park board/sub committee members will need to do some prep work with the city prior to the April city council meeting. The sub committee has received a full estimate on the expenses breakdown. The cost is 22 million but will need to be reduced to 20 million as that is our maximum budget.

Park Signs

One set of signs has been delivered. The second set is awaiting approval of tax exemption status. Once that goes through, the signs will be ordered. Another set of "No ATV" signs will need to be purchased for all parks. Misty will look at options and prices and bring to the group. A set of 15 will be ordered to start; additional signs may need to be ordered. These will replace damaged and/or faded signs that are currently within our parks.

Splash Pad Equipment Building

Misty has reached out to My Aquatics Systems to schedule a call to discuss project details. She has not been able to get through to anyone in regards to that. She has heard from the project manager from time to time in regards to when they will come to start the splash pad but she has not been given an exact date. Misty will talk to Jeremy and see if he can call to get project details as he is the contractor we are working with on this project. We will plan to move forward with the current location as long as we get the details we need.

Alice Jorgenson Allocation

No updates

Missoula Children's Theatre Update

Event went really well and was well received by the participants/community. Raised \$1,088 in admissions.

Fundraising -

Park board would like to host at least 2 fundraisers a year. Ideas discussed were the horse "plop" parade fundraiser and hosting a meal (spaghetti, BBQ's etc.) during the farmers market.

Misty/Ashely will talk with Lori and Kristi Seim in regards to the details/planning process of this fundraiser. Ann Berg may have the chart for the parade route to be used for this. This fundraiser will be one we plan to move forward with and will plan over the coming months so it is ready to go for July 4th, 2024.

Vandalism- Samson's Electric has repaired the hand dryer. Mike Swartz has ordered the sink but will wait to install it until the doors are repaired. Ashley will contact Richie Sherlock to look into the status of the charges being filed to perpetrators.

Summer Staff-

There are a potential of 4 new hires for groundskeeping. Wages discussed - starting @ \$12 for high school aged staff and \$13 for others. Misty will find out the # of hours each staff member is hoping to work to avoid a financial burden to the park district.

Trees Over Waterline-

Topic has been tabled until spring thaw.

NEW BUSINESS

Frisbee Golf Course-

Misty has received a grant from public health to be used for outdoor equipment to promote physical exercise among youth. This project qualifies for the grant and will be used to purchase baskets. Dante Irvine will look into the baskets and bring them to the group. Additional donations will be used to fund other items for this project such as mats and detailed signs.

In Memoriam Tree-

The Class of 1982 wants to plant a tree in honor of their late classmate. This group will pay for the tree and plaque. Misty will talk with Joel Hylden to select a tree and location. Joel will plant the tree. Misty will order the plaque.

Equipment For Grounds- See Spreader

Will discuss at April meeting

Rocks Along Fence Line - Complex.

Rocks will be kept there per previous conversations and vote

Motion to Approve Bills- 1. M. Hell 2. D. Irvine

OPEN DISCUSSION - NA