



**PARK & RECREATION MEETING
Minutes of August 4, 2021**

The Park and Recreation Board met at the Alexandria Community Park on the above date at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Fred Hollmann Jenny Vildibill Rick Carr Daniel Phirman

Absent: Karen Minshall

Also Present: Kim Wagner, Recreation Director Susan Vanlandingham Andy Schabell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Jenny Vildibill made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 7, 2021 meeting, seconded by Rick Carr. All in favor, motion passed 4-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Shelter Plans:** No announcement of grant awards until at least December. Ms. Wagner is preparing to present the plans to the award committee in Frankfort in October or November if needed.
2. **Headwall and pipes near the lake inflow:** Nothing new, discussion tabled until possible funding is identified.
3. **Dog Days Preparation:** Event is scheduled for August 14 from 10am to 1pm. Flyers and emails we sent out to potential pet and craft vendors. Pet Supplies Plus is sponsoring some prizes.
4. **Wetland Bridge repairs:** Wet conditions have prevented repairs from being done. City maintenance will address this when dry conditions occur.
5. **Honeysuckle Day:** Mr. Hollmann noted the herbicide needed to kill the honeysuckle is available to the public so no special conditions need to be met for use at the event. He is concerned over the use of chainsaws by volunteers and others and would like to see the cutting be carried out by professionals. Ms. Wagner suggested the possibility of a grant for removal of exotic species.

MOTION: Rick Carr made a motion to pursue a grant for the removal of honeysuckle near the lake, seconded by Dan Phirman. All in favor, motion passes 4-0-0. Fred Hollmann will work on providing specifications for the removal to help determine the cost or for bid proposals.

6. **Halloween Walk:** The Halloween Walk is scheduled for October 23, 2021 but there is a possibility that students may not be able to volunteer as in the past. The Board is looking into other options, such as a Movie in the Park night and smaller scale candy distribution if the full event cannot be held.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Recreation Director Update:** Ms. Wagner shared the new swing was delivered and preparations were being made for installation and the old yellow slides have been removed. The newly purchased garbage cans will be delivered soon.

2. Agenda items for next Meeting:

- a. Shelter Plans - dependent on grant award.
- b. Headwall and pipes near the lake inflow area
- c. Dog Days final prep and planning
- d. Wetland Bridge update
- e. Honeysuckle day in the fall
- f. Halloween Walk
- g. Update from Recreation Director


3. Communications:

- a. Susan Vanlandingham discussed the possibility of the Beautification Committee of collaborating with the Park Board on its grant applications for the new park shelter or the removal of honeysuckle. The Park Board was open to this idea and will keep it in mind.
- b. Mr. Hollmann brought up the idea and need for a splash park in the City. Mayor Andy said that this is under consideration as the City develops plans for the newly purchased land.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Rick Carr made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Fred Hollmann. All in favor, motion passed 4-0-0.

Attested to and submitted by:



Jan Johannemann, City Clerk



Karen Minshall, Chairperson

Dated 10/7/2021

Dated 10-6-21