

Minutes
City of Flatonia Parks Committee
Regular Meeting - Zoom
June 24, 2020

Present:

Bryan Milson
Ginny Sears
Cathy Horn
Shawn Bruns
Brad Cosson

Absent:

David Zapalac
Ashley Beeman
Valerie Targac

Staff Attending: City Manager Sarah Novo

Guests: Brian Zimmerman, Annie Pryor, Karen Milson

Call to Order 6:05 p.m.

Citizen Participation

Brian Zimmerman asked the Committee to consider a 2nd baseball field (multi-purpose Little League and softball) in the area near the planned T-Ball field near the splash pad. There are 168 children annually that play baseball/softball. The second field would allow for tournaments. This additional field would be contingent on the City's purchase of Grifaldo family property. A master plan for 7 acre Park detailing the layout of the proposed fields will be created by the league.

Annie Pryor asked the Committee if there was a weekly schedule for watering in Central Park and if the City uses a weed and feed product. Also, a request for additional lighting, for security and aesthetics, in Central Park. She pointed out the need to update the brochures displayed in the Parks' kiosks as many new businesses have moved into Flatonia since last printing. Annie opened a discussion concerning a Farmer's Market in Flatonia, with the location to be Central Park. She plans a Friday afternoon event with visitors utilizing restaurants following the event. She also requested the use of Central Park for her personal farm to dinner evening events. Sarah Novo will address the City portion of her requests.

Deliberation agenda

- 6.2020.1. Seven Acre Park- The Flatonia Economic Development Corporation has given \$8,000.00 for materials for the restrooms at the Park. Construction will be handled by Bryan Milson and Jack Pavlas.
The building will be 8'x20' with 2 handicap accessible stalls and equipment storage. The construction is slated for completion by September2020. Brad asked about the exercise equipment discussed at prior meetings, no action at this time.
- 6.2020.2. Central Park- the 2020-2021 budget will include monies for security lighting of the Park.

- 6.2020.3. Discussion of the assets in and name of “the downtown trails”. The name “railroad park” will be forwarded to Council for approval. The Park assets are the trails, the old jail, caboose and Tower 3. (the area on south Main from Hwy 95 east to Penn St. south of the railroad track). The website and all signage will need to be updated to reflect the change. Sarah Novo will explore the possibility of Google Maps to identify all Flatonia parks. The downtown trail beds need attention as to weeding.
- 6.2020.4. McWhirter- Signage is needed on Hwy. 90 offering directions into Park and Park amenities. Location perhaps on City Manager house west fence. Sarah Novo will coordinate with George’s sign shop for consistency in font and PMS colors. The 2020-2021 budget should reflect the dollars needed to replace outfield fence as well as construction maintenance for concession stand and Pool roof. (approx. \$4,250.00) Lifeguard training is June 27 & 28, 2020. Donor signs are not completed for splash pad.
- 6-2020.5. Garbade- minor repairs needed to concession stand.
- 6-2020.6. Flato Park- no action

City Manager report was folded into discussion of each park site.

*****Rental agreements and rental pricing for Parks will be discussed at the July meeting.

The meeting concluded at 7:40.

No further business.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Horn
Secretary
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