

Rochester City Park Board

Meeting Minutes

July 8, 2024

Attendees:

President/Secretary Alex Berlin (AB), Vice President Mitch Hayes (MH), Ed Richard (ER), Kim Landis (KL), Mayor Trent Odell

AB called meeting to order at 5 PM to discuss the budget

ER made a motion to approve June 10th meeting minutes with edit to website hosting fee at \$432 and approve June 26th meeting minutes. MH second, all approve

Summer Parks Program- Lindsay Barts

Lindsay shared online survey feedback from the summer parks program. All agree this was a great start. Lindsay presented a budget for future years with a plan to get 150 kids involved. The topic of charging for the program is up in the air and may need to be posed to the public via the 5 year parks program questionnaires.

Future budget was reviewed and will be adjusted for the 2025 request

Marketing- Jessica Shafer

Website is ready to launch but we are waiting on Split Road Media to update the city page and link to the new parks page.

Jessica presented ideas for giveaways. ER motioned to allow Jessica to spend \$1000 on a few larger raffle items and a lot of smaller giveaway items for future park board events. AB seconded. All approved.

Future budget was reviewed and will be adjusted for the 2025 request

Golf Course- Lee

Lee is going to bring stock down on clothing inventory and not replenish, it does not seem like a desirable market anymore

Lee is going to rethink the layout of the pro shop and then present a budget for a potential pro shop remodel.

Lee will get quotes for a John Deere gator for the pro shops use. He borrowed one for an outing and it was very helpful.

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Golf Course- Anthony

Cart pathing paving is done for this year, will look at other areas to spend \$50,000 next spring.

Irrigation pipe fix will be done this month.

The mower we ordered last August should be in this month finally.

Anthony will look to purchase a tee mower this year and then will need to replace four pieces of equipment next year.

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Parks and Pool- Duane Border- not present

The mayor has accepted bids on some property owned by the park. ER motioned and KL seconded to accept to bid and allow the city to sell Pioneer Park. We were not using this area. All approved.

ER motioned and MH seconded to allow the city to engage a realtor in the listing of the park property at 500 E and 150 S. This land must stay a wetland for 100 years. All approved.

ER motioned and AB seconded to sign documentation to give the street around the city park to the City of Rochester. ER, AB, and MH approved. KL absconded from voting or signing the document.

There is a port-a-pot at Jaycee park. ER and KL will meet with Duane Border about a water foundation location.

Duane is waiting for a bid from a Plymouth plumber to switch the controls of the city park bathroom to mechanical. The womens is working but the mens is not.

New lounge chairs and umbrellas were ordered and received for the pool

Duane hired an additional part time parks employee so we are back up to three people.

Fansler park basketball backboard has been ordered

AB motion to close. ER second. Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting is July 24th at 12 pm at Rochester City Building. The following meeting is August 12th at 5 pm.