

MINUTES
Park Board Meeting
January 20, 2021

The Park Board meeting was held at the EMS Building Conference Room, 320 Baker Road. 6:30 p.m.

Those individuals in attendance were Park Board members Marilyn Griesdorn, Ted Baltes, Chairman Cory Griesdorn, and Village Administrator Michael Busse. Representatives Chris Hecht, Scott Magoteaux, and Jeff Barga from the summer baseball and softball programs were also in attendance. Connie Apple was absent.

Councilmen Cory Griesdorn administered the Oath of Office to returning board member Ted Baltes.

A motion was made by Ted Baltes, seconded by Marilyn Griesdorn to approve the agenda. Vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve the September 22, 2020 meeting minutes was made by Marilyn Griesdorn, seconded by Ted Baltes. Vote: all yeas.

There was no scheduled public discussion or old business.

A discussion was held about spring sports activities. Mr. Busse reviewed the Village expenditure budget of \$2,000 to support the summer baseball program and \$3,000 to support summer softball program.

Mr. Busse reviewed the policy of the program organizers obtaining purchase orders from either Kathy Ording or Mike Busse prior to making any purchases that they anticipate the village paying for or reimbursing the programs.

Chris Hecht discussed last years progress on edging both diamonds and adding conditioner to Diamond #2 at Ward Park. Mr. Hecht stated anticipated projects for 2021 included diamond conditioner to be installed on Ward Park Diamond #1. Installing wind screen on the lower part of the backstop to help control the runoff of the diamond conditioner during heavy rain events is also planned. Mr. Hecht will research obtaining the windscreen and will coordinate with Mr. Busse to get it installed before the beginning of the softball season.

Mr. Hecht discussed with the Board the future need to install netting along the south fence line on Diamond #1 to control foul balls in an attempt to keep them from landing on the tennis and pickleball courts.

Jeff Barga presented the following information about the Indian Creek ball diamond to the Board for review and discussion.

2020 – Purchased Items

Budget \$4000 (\$2000 VYBA, \$2000 VOV/Park Board) Truckload of Conditioner/Dirt \$2100
6' Rigid Steel mat Drag (pull by hand) \$220 x 2 = \$440 7' Infield Drag broom (pull by hand) \$199
100' Irrigation Hose with Nozzle \$290 3611 Long Tooth Rake \$69 x 3 = \$207 Field Tamp \$59
4 Dozen Rubber baseballs for Batting Cage \$120 Vinyl Backdrop for Batting Cage \$160
Pitching L Screen \$325

2021 – Budgeted Items

Budget \$4,000 (\$2,000 VYBA, \$2,000 VOV/Park Board) Tractor/Utility Vehicle to pull the diamond drag \$4,000 . The Village will pay the entire invoice and then send an invoice to the baseball group for the balance of the cost that exceeds the \$2,000 budget.

Jeff stated that he would like a wall mounted storage cabinet to be installed in the concession stand. Mr. Busse will meet him at the concession stand next week to review the request.

2022 - Budgeted Items

Budget \$4,000 (\$2,000 VYBA, \$2,000 VOV/Park Board) Truckload of Conditioner/Dirt \$2100

Replacement netting above back stop \$1900

A discussion was held about the Craig Stammen tournament on Father's Day weekend. The board directed Mr. Busse to reserve all shelters for use by the Craig Stammen classic June 17th through June 20th, 2021. These shelters will be provided at no cost to the tournament.

Mr. Busse reviewed the following planned park maintenance items for 2021

INDIAN CREEK PARK

1. Remove and replace three sidewalk panels off of Jackson St. on sidewalk going to park near restroom/shelter house. There are three more panels to the north of Jackson St. going further towards the shelter house. Panels are pushed up due to tree roots.
2. Take the pole saw and trim low branches along sidewalk from Jackson St. to shelter house.
3. Add dry-erase boards at shelter houses for reservation notices in place of laminated paper and staples on the shelter posts.
4. Last shuffle board will be cleaned down to bare concrete and another corn hole board set added as was previously approved. Work cannot happen until water is turned back on at the park. Carl Bensman to make the cornhole boards. Remove corn hole score board posts entirely.
5. Basketball court lines are set to be repainted once weather is fit by Taylor Painting out of Celina.
6. Playground equipment pipe, bars, etc. need repainted. To be done Summer 2021 with summer employees after Poultry Days.
7. Ball Diamond - Third base line fence needs the bottom fence fabric reattached to the posts with wire ties.
8. Ball Diamond – Backstop needs support pipes re-installed, wire tires fence fabric as needed.
9. Ball Diamond – First base line fence is pushed in at the bottom, pull back and reattach fence fabric to posts with wire ties.
10. Replace all incandescent light bulbs in and around the building with LED bulbs.
11. Electric – Rebuild basketball court light control panel attachment to pole, rotted out.
12. Electric – Tennis court lights, raise west side, north fixture as it has dropped down.
13. Clean all building gutters at the park.

WARD PARK

1. Pour concrete storm sewer trough at pool parking lot retention pond, reseed grass as needed in the bottom.
2. Electric – Electric panel has been tampered with and the locking tab is busted. Replace tab and secure panel.
3. Permanent repair to climbing rock that had a hole busted into it.
4. Rebuild batting cage on new building pad. Need to likely purchase a new batting cage net before season.
Mike Wagner to order this.
5. Electric – Install electric into softball shed once it is placed on the batting cage pad.
6. Electric – Repair light switch in Ward Park Concession stand, install receptacle to freezer.
7. East St. parking lot to be black sealed as part of Village's 2021 parking lot maintenance.
Timeframe unknown until full list is compiled.
8. Diamond #1 fence is pushed in sporadic locations. Pull back fence and tie back to fence posts.
9. Summer (after Poultry Days) – Playground mulch placement. Must be done when ground is hard enough to get equipment in to haul mulch.

The majority of these items will be completed prior to the parks opening for the season or before youth sports seasons start. Some items may take longer to accomplish due to ground conditions and getting equipment in (bucket trucks for lights, etc.) to avoid damage.

With no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ted Baltes, seconded by Marilyn Griesdorn. Vote: all yeas.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM

Chairman

Village Administrator