

**City of Lodi Parks Committee Meeting
Minutes of June 2, 2020**

1. Call to Order

Chair Clemens called meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Committee Members Present: Rich Stevenson, Steve Clemens, Suzanne Miller, Bill Welch (virtual), Letha Kelsey Klobberdanz (virtual), Mikel Bilkey, and Geoffrey Vorlander

Staff Present: Julie Ostrander, Jennifer Sweeney, Patrick Staszak, Terry Weter

Others: Ann Groves Lloyd

2. Public Input.

3. Approve Minutes from May 5, 2020

MOTION (Stevenson/Vorlander) to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.

4. Parks Financials

Welch asked what was purchased with the \$4,400 from the Parks Development income statement. Stevenson stated that a broom attachment was purchased for the Bobcat to clear sidewalks.

5. Recommendation on Adoption of Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP)

MOTION (Stevenson/Bilkey) to recommend Adoption of Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP). Motion carried.

The Committee agreed that the amendments suggested at last meeting were added to the document. Miller stated that the plan lacks detail. Overall, the Committee agreed that it was a work in process.

6. Discussion/Recommendation on Spring Creek Retaining Wall Reconstruction

Bids for the Spring Creek retaining wall were voted down at the Finance & Human Resources Committee meeting. Staszak provided an update regarding contacting Inter-Fluve. Inter-Fluve does restorations of creek areas. This company mainly engineers, finds funding for these types of projects, and puts things back to a natural state. A 'task force' will be assembled with the Mayor, the new Director of Operations, and others. Overall, the project cannot be completed this year due to the rejection of bids and timing for the permit from the DNR. Weter, the new Director of Operations will discuss this project with the Mayor to decide the course of action.

7. Doctors Park Stone Work Seating Design and Bids

Staszak reached out to S&L Underground who declined to give a bid for the project. He also contacted Brian Schmitz Enterprises, and he has not heard back from the company. Welch clarified that he was looking for an estimate, not a bid. Staszak stated that the companies still need to go through a process to provide an estimate. Staszak guessed that a project estimate could be anywhere from \$30,000 to \$50,000.

Welch stated that a couple of funders were interested in donating to the project but would need a price estimate before committing. If the estimate is doable, the donor wants to pay for the entire project. If there is not an estimate, then the donor cannot commit to paying for the project. Welch will discuss if a \$30,000 donation is within the donor's means. Clemens stated to move forward, Weter should put together a rough estimate. He also reminded the Committee that any construction will need to be maintained in the future. He suggested putting together a donation policy.

8. Discussion of Solar Cover for the Pool

Staszak spoke to Neuman Pools. A solar cover for the outdoor pool is not possible to do in one section. The sections would need to have nine solar cover rollers. Two to four people are needed to move a solar cover of that size. It would also be stored along the fence line where pool patrons sit. Clemens commented that solar covers attract dirt easily. The Committee agreed that a solar cover is not cost effective or functionally possible and declined to move forward.

9. Capital Improvement Plan for City of Lodi Parks/Asset Life Cycle Management

Clemens stated he feel uncomfortable making large capital decisions without a capital improvement plan for the parks. There are many areas in disrepair and in need of maintenance, such as the bathrooms at Habermann Park, the Goeres Park fountain, and the 'long pond' in Goeres Park. Clemens suggested creating a more comprehensive capital improvement plan for the parks. Welch would like the entire Committee involved in the plan creation. Weter will put together a plan for discussion at the next meeting.

The Committee agreed to hold a special meeting June 10 at 5:00 PM at Goeres Park and Habermann Park so the Committee could see the areas discussed.

10. Discussion – 2020 Park Use

Welch stated residents were approaching him about park use. The Mayor clarified the restrictions placed in the parks and explained that the pool will not be opening this year, in part, due to the inability to follow the CDCs COVID-19 guidelines regarding sanitization and social distancing.

11. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Item

A special meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at Goeres/Habermann Park.
The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

12. Adjourn

MOTION (Clemens/Stevenson) to adjourn at 7:51 p.m. Motion carried.

Minutes by Jennifer Sweeney, Management Analyst

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