

**City of Lodi Parks Committee Meeting  
Minutes of July 7, 2020**

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Clemens called meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

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

Staff Present: Julie Ostrander, Sandy Bloechl, Terry Weter, Brenda Ayers

Others: Mayor Ann Groves Lloyd

**2. Virtual Etiquette Announcement**

**3. Public Input**

**4. Approve Minutes from June 2, 2020**

Miller wants the minutes to show Mayor Ann Groves Lloyd instead of Ann Groves Lloyd

**MOTION** (Stevenson/Welch) to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.

**5. Parks Financials**

Welch questioned utilities at tennis courts, yes there are lights at the tennis courts. What is the \$500 for repair tennis courts? -to paint pickleball lines. What is the \$3,000 Park Miscellaneous – payment for the Comprehensive Plan. Questioned Pool Ops income/expenses – if money isn't spent it will remain for next season.

**6. Dog Park – Possible New Location**

Welch explained Hwy J location was already discussed and it was going to be too expensive and it is outside city limits. Miller said it was going to be cost \$15,000 and is against any property outside city limits. Stevenson would like to have a cost analysis done. Bilkey stated that is was a great offer but he has an issue with the city spending money on property owned by the Mayor. Clemens stated that the city needed to get enough donations to cover costs so that city funds are not being used. Groves Lloyd pointed out that most city's have dog parks outside of the city limits and that there is a strong demand for a dog park. Welch pointed out that there is ground work because this has been an ongoing item for several years. Miller said Pit Park needs to be developed before we plan to develop any other property. The intent is to establish that a dog park is funded by donations and outside funds. Estimates need to be obtained to help the decision making. Goal is to try and be cost neutral.

Old Feed Mill Lot – much smaller than Hwy J property. Stevenson explained that the piece of property is zoned commercial. Groves Lloyd explained that Beau Lane offered this property. Miller doesn't like this lot for a dog park but suggested that Pit Park could possibly be converted to dog park. Welch said that we do not want to include Pit Park as a potential dog park. Clemens stressed that we do not plan on spending any money at this time but to gather information to make informed decisions. This item needs to be on the agenda next month. All agreed that Lodi needs a dog park and that we should keep gathering information.

**7. Doctors Park Stone Work Seating Design and Bids**

Clemens said that he felt that it was a bad location for a music venue and wanted to ask the rest of the committee if this should go forward. Vorlander agrees that he doesn't think this project should proceed. Miller never liked this idea. Bilkey liked the idea of a stopping point and kiosk. Stevenson explained that the concept at Drs Park was public opinion but does agree that making a miniature venue isn't a good idea. Stevenson likes the idea of a kiosk. Welch likes the idea of a kiosk and water bottle filling station and possibly a sculpture. Clemens wanted to know if a committee member would gather information to help make decisions. Welch will bring back some ballpark figures for a kiosk and/or stopping point. Miller suggests having a bike rack and/or gazebo in that area. Klobberdanz likes the idea of less is more and maybe having a few benches and bottle filler.

**8. Discussion/Recommendation on Spring Creek Retaining Wall Reconstruction**

Weter explained Marty with Inter-Fluve is doing a plan for us pro bono. Also requested an estimate from Redi-Rock.

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

Clemens stated that the work has just begun on this and there is a lot of work to be done. Weter stated that progress is being made. When this is complete it will help in making decisions.

**10. Goeres Park Long Pond Repair**

Weter said that there are about 3 springs feeding Long Pond and it will need to be pumped out and cleaned by hand. Bilkey gave a small history on some of the repair. Groves Lloyd stated that she spoke with Bob Goeres and they are interested in helping restore Long Pond since it is a memorial for one of their ancestors. Weter is going to be trying to find out what is needed and how much it will cost. Have on next month's agenda.

**11. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Item**

Dave & Diane Ebert offered to donate 2 bike repair stations

Restroom in Goeres shelter in Habermann park

Kohn Park Update

Dog Park

Doctor's Park

Goeres Park Long Pond Repair

Park walk thru on Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5 p.m. start at the shelter in Habermann

The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

**12. Adjourn**

**MOTION** (Welch/Stevenson) to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Motion carried.

Minutes by Sandy Bloechl, Accounting Manager/Treasurer