

**City of Lodi Parks Committee Meeting  
Minutes of June 7, 2022**

**1. Call to Order**

Ripp called meeting to order at 5:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Rich Stevenson, Geoffrey Vorlander, Mikel Bilkey, Tim Ripp, Kelsey Greenwood, Luke Kloberdanz

Excused: Mike Goethel

Staff Present: Brenda Ayers, Terry Weter, Kevin Sopha, Sandy Bloechl

Others: Mayor Groves Lloyd, Bob & Linda Redelings, Bill Welch, Susan Lee, Marie Burgette Bach

**2. Meeting Etiquette.**

**3. Public Input.**

None

**4. Approve Minutes from May 3, 2022**

**MOTION** (Stevenson, Vorlander) to approve the minutes from the May 3, 2022 meeting. Vote: Aye (Stevenson, Vorlander, Bilkey, Ripp, Kloberdanz, Greenwood); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

**5. Parks Financials.** No discussion.

**6. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Location of the Ice Age Trail Kiosk in Doctor's Park**

Stevenson explained that the area that was staked for the Kiosk was at the top of the hill and committee agreed to have it located on the NW corner of the parcel. Angle toward the sidewalk up the hill. Stevenson will meet with Weter to correct the placement of the kiosk.

**7. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Bench in Doctor's Park**

Kloberdanz explained that the Friends of the Lodi Library would like to purchase a bench honoring a person. It would be placed near the kiosk and would need to be anchored. Stevenson voiced his concerns if the bench would be like what was approved in the corridor plan. Kloberdanz said the bench doesn't have a back but would aesthetically match the corridor plan.

**Motion** (Bilkey, Greenwood) recommend to council accepting the bench to be put in Drs Park near Kiosk. Aye - (Bilkey, Ripp, Greenwood, Vorlander, Kloberdanz, Stevenson). Nay – (0) **Motion carried.**

**8. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Opening Krainik Restrooms**

Stevenson explained that Krainik restrooms need to be opened because if the pool bathrooms are vandalized and unable to be open the pool wouldn't be able to be opened. When Fair Street is repaired in 2025 bathrooms would be closed.

**Motion** (Stevenson, Bilkey) Recommend to Finance HR to open Krainik restrooms not to exceed \$2,500 in repairs. Aye (Stevenson, Bilkey, Ripp, Greenwood, Vorlander, Kloberdanz) Nay – (0) **Motion carried.**

**9. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Pickleball Courts on City Tennis Courts**

Items 9, 10 & 11 were moved up to after approval of the minutes since the majority of the people there were for pickleball. Redelings gave overview of pickleball group; have about 70 members. \$10 collected from members used to purchase balls hand sanitizer, nets, paint, leaf blower, first aid kit. Also asked if there is anything that needs replacing (signs) they are willing to contribute towards. Vorlander asked if the council has approved. Ayers explained that the Park committee doesn't have the authority to dictate how the parks are used. It needs to be approved by the council.

**Motion** (Bilkey, Vorlander) to recommend to council to approve 2 tennis courts for pickleball use. Aye - (Bilkey, Ripp, Greenwood, Vorlander, Kloberdanz, Stevenson). Nay – (0) **Motion carried.**

**10. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Agreement with Pickleball Club**

Club is considering extending requested hours from MWF morning to include some evening hours. Ayers explained the agreement she drafted just recognizes the group and that the city has no liability. It does not go into detail with hours used.

**Motion** (Vorlander, Kloberdanz) recommend agreement be distributed for review to committee for possible recommendation to council. Voice vote all Ayes.

**11. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding LACE Grant Application for Pickleball Courts**

Ayers explained that any grants need to be worked together and have the city's name on it since it is on city property.

**Motion** (Stevenson, Bilkey) approved agreement to council with revisions. Aye (Bilkey, Greenwood, Vorlander, Kloberdanz, Stevenson, Ripp). Nay (0) **Motion carried.**

**12. Discussion Regarding Lodi Street Park**

Stevenson questioned if the city would be able to do justice to this park. Ripp suggested that the committee needs to discuss action that may be done in this area. Bilkey asked Weter if PW is willing to give up the use of this park. Weter explained that if this is used as a park it would cost money to clean up. Stevenson suggested moving this to Utilities PW meeting to discuss this.

**13. Director of Operations Report**

Weter explained there were repairs to the pool around \$10,000.

Vandalism at parks

Long Pond fill in is on the schedule

**14. Next Meeting Date - Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. and Agenda Items**

**15. Adjourn**

**MOTION** (Kloberdanz, Stevenson) to adjourn at 6:04 p.m. Motion carried.

Minutes by Sandy Bloechl, Accounting Manager/Treasurer

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