



Board Meeting Minutes – August 4, 2022

Attending: Richard Grugin, Amy Chen, Jamie Gade, Jeremy Parrish,

Absent: Shelly Simpson, Gwen Johnson, Shannon Greene, Kevin Stibal

Others Present: Brian Motley, Tim Hamer, Guy Goldsmith

1. Call to Order

- a. Richard Grugin

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. July 7, 2022
- b. Motion: Jeremy Parrish
- c. Second: Amy Chen

3. Reports

a. Parks Report

- i. Building maintenance and equipment maintenance for mowing and landscaping
- ii. Picking up trash receptacles daily
- iii. Babe Ruth renovation on infield currently
- iv. Penn Meadows Splash Pad will be open after Labor Day until weather holds
- v. Mowing and trimming ongoing, mostly weed trimming
 - 1. Weed trimmed construction site
- vi. Landscaping crew is weeding and watering landscape
 - 1. Liberty center west wall grass maintenance
- vii. Forestry crew removing dead and declining trees
- viii. New playground safety surface to Centennial park's climbing wall area
- ix. Removed tree stumps by pickle ball courts (used to be Spruce trees), filled in with dirt
- x. Fixed cracks at Penn Meadows concession stand area. Will help with freeze-thaw during winter.
- xi. Working with Shive-Hattery on designs for Centennial Park. Applying for Destination Iowa grant.
- xii. IT director, Chris Nelson, has been collaborating with staff on intranet
- xiii. Discussed emerald ash borer and storm water issues
- xiv. Storage shed in Babe Ruth ball field – insulation, heating in, needs siding.
- xv. IAMU staff bucket truck training with staff and personal protection, ladder safety trainings
- xvi. Blues and BBQ – successful event with a lot of attendance (approx. 20,000 people)
- xvii. Fountain at Liberty park got a new pump and is working
- xviii. Library had permanent story walk boards installed at Liberty Center so one page of a book will be at each board
- xix. August 20th Fireworks happening
- xx. Centennial Park Splash Pad estimated to be done in about 2 years depending on grant and fundraising
 - 1. Planning on having restrooms by splash pad
 - 2. Shade covers are planned to be by splash pad
- xxi. Tree Program for households possibility if grants would cover it (one grant may allow this, due September 1st)

b. Recreation/Pool Report

- i. Started process for quotes for new cardio equipment

1. Oldest equipment is from 2017
 2. Yearly thing done to keep equipment nice
 - ii. Roof will begin this month
 - iii. Pool heater having issues and will be getting a new part. Some classes were cancelled due to cold water.
 - iv. Registration for rec programs. Swim lessons filled up fast.
 - v. Programming for summer winding down.
 - vi. Pool open until Sunday before Labor Day.
 1. Pool has been well staffed.
 2. Large pail feature has been fixed. Water was getting into electrical and fried motors to pail.
 3. Water clarifier added to water to stop cloudiness.
 - c. Questions, Concerns, Updates
4. New Business
 - a. None
 5. Old Business
 - a. None
 6. Next Meeting
 - a. Thursday, September 1, 2022 at 7:00pm
 7. Adjourn
 - a. Motion: Amy Chen
 - b. Second: Jeremy Parrish