

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOONE CITY PARKS COMMISSION
MONDAY January 10, 2022

Amy Landis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call: All Members were present: John Niemants, April Burch, Amy Landas, Emily Coll, and Kevin Pearson Also present: Superintendent Mike Cornelis and Cherie Angstrom. Guests: Jon Crook, Joe Pundzak, Linda R. Blakely, and Larry Kelley

2. Elect new commission officers: Niemants made the motion to have Landas remain the president seconded by Pearson. All ayes. Motion carried. Burch nominated Coll to be Vice President seconded by Pearson. All ayes. Motion carried. Landas nominated Angstrom to be Secretary seconded by Pearson. All ayes

3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Burch to approve the agenda seconded by Coll. All Ayes

4. Presentation of Petitions & Other Communication: none

5. Approve of previous meeting minutes: Adjust the previous meeting minutes to add Brandon Hurley to the list of guests at the December meeting. Motion by Pearson to approve the minutes with this change seconded by Niemants. All Ayes

6. Approval of monthly bills: Jon Crook, treasurer from the Little League board, was able to clarify why the bills seemed higher. The lower bills during last summer were due to not having the air conditioner running. It needed repair and parts weren't available. And also, the season was cancelled in 2020 due to Covid. There was also an air compressor that had been running and is now turned off. The bills we are seeing are normal for this time of year. Motion by Burch to approve bills seconded by Niemants. All Ayes

Park

Alliant Energy	Utilities	1459.06
CenturyLink	Telephone	71.69
Brad Rholl	Cell Reimbursement	19.00
Kendall Hilsabeck	Cell Reimbursement	19.00
Bomgaars	Buildings & Grounds	24.98
Portable Pro	Utilities	275.00
Van Wall Equipment, Inc.	Repairs / Equipment	95.63
Walters Sanitary Service	Utilities	197.12
R & W Power	Urban Forestry	114.34

Cemetery

Seth Janssen	Cell Reimbursement	19.00
Portable Pro	Utilities	75.00
Bomgaars	Buildings & Grounds	21.17
Bomgaars	Clothing Allowance - Janssen	215.73
Century Link	Telephone	71.59

Pool

Misc.

6. Old Business:

- A.) **Discuss purchase of Disc Golf baskets** – The quote for 6 baskets from DGA was reviewed and it was agreed to order the baskets. The total cost would still be close to the allotted amount of \$4,000 since the actual price of the sign is less than the original amount.

7. New Business

- A.) **Approve Resolution 130 non-union salary raise beginning January 15, 2022** – Burch made a motion to approve Resolution 130 seconded by Niements. All ayes
- B.) **Little League discussion with representative** -- Jon Crook, representative for Little League, updated the board on damage from the two derecho storms. Still no word from the insurance company from the first derecho. Crook will inquire if EMC needs any further information for the claim. Crook will forward insurance details/estimate to City Hall. Additional damage from second derecho is still being assessed. There was also a request from Boone Schools to add more security lights for the gravel parking lot as it is being used more due to the need for more parking. It was thought the Little League needs to maintain this lot as a through street for emergency purposes. Little League would ideally like to block off and use as a parking only lot. Crook will get bids for the cost of lights. Rouse will bring up the subject at City Council meeting to clarify responsibilities and limitations as well as adding signs for no overnight parking in this lot.
Crook also reported the flag pole area will be updated with hardscaping and will now have lighting for the flag slated for finish during the 2022 season.
- C.) **Community Garden** – Niements made a motion to close the Community Garden. It was unclear whether the garden could be deemed a success since benefits were difficult to identify. After discussion, the motion was seconded by Burch. Ayes Niements, Burch, Landas and Pearson Nay Coll Motion passes.
- D.) **Park Board Meetings – Zoom vs Attendance in person** – Niements made a motion to discontinue the Zoom Meeting option for Parks Commission Meetings. Seconded by Landas. Ayes Niements, Landas, Coll, Pearson Nay Burch Motion passes.

8. **Superintendent's Report** -- Cornelis reported that he is unsure if they will be able to open the ice skating rink for this season. Several factors, including weather, staff availability and coordinating with other departments have been issues with getting it ready to fill. Conditions will be evaluated in the next few weeks to see if it will be possible to get it filled and have consistent temperatures to allow for freezing. Park staff has been busy with time consuming task of storm cleanup from the latest derecho. Damage was reported to parks, including a light down at the softball diamond.

Cemetery update for 2021: There were 70 total burials for the year. (58 cremations and 12 traditional burials)

9. **Commissioner's Report** -- none

10. **Public Comment for Items not on agenda- Pickleball:** Larry Kelley verified that they are requesting 6 courts to be created at Memorial Park. He reported donations are still being received. There will be more on this at the February meeting.

11. **Adjournment** – Coll made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Pearson, motion approved at 8:10 p.m.

Commission Secretary _____ Commission President _____

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING ON FEBRUARY 14TH AT 7 PM