

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOONE CITY PARKS COMMISSION  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2023**

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

1. Roll Call: Members present: Kevin Pearson, John Niemants, April Burch and Emily Coll. Absent: Amy Landas  
Also present: Mike Cornelis and Cherie Angstrom. Guests: David Sherry, Susan Thorngren, Jim Turbes and Tom Matt
2. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Burch to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Pearson. All Ayes
3. Presentation of Petitions & Other Communication: none
4. Approval of previous meeting minutes: Motion by Pearson to approve the minutes seconded by Niemants. All Ayes
5. Approval of monthly bills: Motion to approve the monthly bills made by Burch seconded by Pearson. All Ayes

**Parks**

Alliant Energy	Utilities	1,985.74
Boone Ace Hardware	Repairs	6.14
Bradley Rholl	Telephone	19.00
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Dick's Fire Extinguisher SVC	Buildings & Grounds	312.00
Dog Waste Depot	Supplies	391.96
Iowa Dept. Transportation	Supplies	278.79
Ken Slaba	Telephone	19.00
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Ogden Telephone Co.	Utilities	74.95
Pomp's Tre Service Inc.	Repairs/Equipment Maint	1,374.00
Portable Pro	Buildings & Grounds	75.00
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Portable Pro	Buildings & Grounds	125.00
Walters Sanitary Service Inc.	Buildings & Grounds	280.00

**Cemetery**

Arnold Motor Supply	Repairs/Equipment	26.43
Boone Ace Hardware	Cemetery/Imprv & Equip	113.14
Boone Hardware	Cemetery/Imprv & Equip	3.99
Dick's Fire Extinguisher SVC	Build/Grounds	173.55
Elite Construction	Cemetery/Imprv & Equip	6,200.00
Kallin Johnson Monument Co.	Building/Grounds	540.00
Kallin Johnson Monument Co.	Build/Grounds	500.00
Kallin Johnson Monument Co.	Build/Grounds	300.00
Portable Pro	Build/Grounds	75.00
Seth Janssen	Telephone	19.00
Seth Janssen	Telephone	19.00
Troop 132	Build/Grounds	260.00
Van-Wall Equipment Inc.	Repairs/Equipment	125.90

**Pool**

Boone Ace Hardware	Repairs	9.59
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**Misc**

Portable Pro (Greenspace)

Utilities

165.00

6. **Old Business:**

A. 2024 Play Structure: \$50,000 available for replacement in an existing park – Mike Cornelis

There is \$50,000 available to purchase new play equipment for an existing park that needs to be used before July 2024. This money is separate from the money allotted for the Franklin Park play structure project. Possible uses for this money would be the replacement of swings at Milwaukee and Cap Erbe parks as well as a couple of small play structures with any money left over. Cornelis will check into the cost of replacing swings and this will be discussed at the January meeting.

B. Discussion and vote on closing of north entrance to Linwood Park Cemetery

Possible solutions in place of closing off the north entrance were discussed. Some options were using speed bumps, increased police presence to reduce speeding, stop signs in the cemetery to slow traffic down, and using cones to block off areas of the cemetery during snow/ice events. Cornelis will see if public works/safety would be able to install some stop signs. Discussion was tabled until a later date. No vote was taken.

7. **New Business:**

A. Request to use remaining CIP funds from pool doors/railings project for two new diving boards for the swimming pool.

Cornelis reported there is approximately \$7,090 left over from the pool CIP project after the last door has been installed. Pool manager, Darci Newcomb, would like to use the money to purchase two new diving boards for the pool since they need to be replaced. The total cost would be \$10,000 for the two boards. Cornelis said the remaining money needed could come out of the pool repairs budget.

Burch made a motion to approve using the remaining funds from the completed CIP project and money from the pool repairs line item to purchase two new diving boards, seconded by Niemants. All ayes.

B. Plans for balance remaining of former Director’s Salary

Cornelis will provide a proposal to decide where and how to spend the remainder of the former Parks Director’s salary. Possible options include - extending the season for part-time seasonal workers to work longer in the fall, reinstating the foreman position for parks/cemetery, and adding money to the pool wages line item to ensure enough money is available for the start of the pool season.

C. New cemetery building – bids/down payment

Out of the three bids received, the lowest bid was \$90,000 from Lester Buildings. \$20,000 will be needed for the down payment in January, followed by another payment of \$35,000 in February with the balance due when the building is finished.

8. Superintendent/Director’s Report – Mulched leaves in McHose, city parks and cemetery, cleaned ditches and intakes, removed several smaller stumps in McHose, repaired picnic tables, painted all new doors except the last door for the pool, completed replacing the 19 small under water lights with LED bulbs, spot painted the bottom of the pool. Removed hazardous branches and trees, fixed aerial truck passenger window, removed rusted out bench at Senholz Park.

9. Commissioner’s Report – Coll reported the new tee signs were installed on the Disc Golf course in McHose Park.

10. Public Comment for Items not on agenda – none

11. Adjournment – Burch made a motion for adjournment seconded by Niemants. All Ayes Motion approved at 8:01 pm.

Commission Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Commission President \_\_\_\_\_

**NEXT COMMISSION MEETING ON JANUARY 8TH, 2024 AT 7 PM**