

Cameron Park Board Meeting
August 1, 2013
6:00 pm
Cameron City Hall

Members Present:

Chairman Bill Gimson
Al Briggs
Jennifer Helmich
Jason Jones
Michael Teegarden
Matt Jameson
Kari Teel
Jamey McVicker
Carrie Sybert

Members Absent:

None

Others Attending:

Drew Bontrager – Public Works Director	Lynn Rogers – School Board
Steve Garr – Parks Director	Michelle Peterson – School Board
Dr. Matt Robinson – School Board Superintendent	Mary Tyrrel – School Board Frank Buck
Kevin Meister – School Board	Chris Johnson, Cameron Newspaper

Chairman Gimson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Approval of June 27, 2013 Minutes

Ms. Briggs made a motion to approve minutes of the June 27, 2013 meeting; seconded by Mr. Teegarden. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 7, nays – 0, abstentions – 2, absent – 0.

Public Participation

Baseball Field Usage

Cindy Miller asked the Board if they would be willing to waive the fee for baseball field usage for an annual softball tournament held every year for her daughter Macey who has muscular dystrophy. The tournament brings awareness to the disease and will be held on August 10, 2013. This year, KQ2 will be present at the tournament. Every year, approximately \$3,000 is raised during the tournament.

Ms. Miller is requesting the fees for fields one and two, and possibly field four be waived.

Mr. Teegarden made a motion to waive the fees for use of the baseball fields one, two and four on August 10, 2013 for use of the annual softball tournament; seconded by Mr. Jameson. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 9, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 0.

Cameron School District – Field 4

Cameron School Board members were present at the meeting to discuss the possible sale of the area surrounding and encompassing field 4 by the Middle and High Schools. Dr. Matt Robinson, School Board

Superintendent stated that the School Board has been working on a master facility project to overall improve the school. Right now, the schools are experiencing over growth in all buildings, parking issues at school events, security problems and a lack of space to place performing arts programs.

Currently, the schools are land locked and the School Board has looked into a location to place a new school. After research, they have found that the location where Field 4 is located would be the logical location as they would like to keep all the school facilities close together. Right now, the land is being utilized as a football practice field and for Field 4.

The School Board has been in contact with the Veterans since they own part of the land around Field 4 and the current school.

Mr. McVicker asked about parking and if there were plans for additional parking.

Dr. Robinson stated that the area where Field 4 is now located will be mostly used for additional parking.

Mr. Jameson asked what grade levels would be placed in the new school building.

Dr. Robinson stated that the building will most likely be used as a middle school but the Board is still in the planning stage.

Chairman Gimson stated that the ground was originally donated by the Veterans and as long as they are in agreement with the new land use, he sees no problem with it.

Chairman Gimson also stated that the Park Board will need to look into options as to how Field 4 will be replaced. Currently, the field is mostly used as a practice field. There will also be a loss of green space and it will need to be replaced.

Mr. Jones stated that the Board will need a plan to replace the green space since there is already a lack of green space in Cameron.

Mr. Jones suggested moving Field 4 to Beavers Park as there was a field there in the past.

Mr. Garr stated that the area would need some ground work before the Field could be placed there. He also stated that Field 4 is rarely used and when used is utilized by the school.

Chairman Gimson stated that the biggest concern is making sure the Veterans will not be affected in any way.

Dr. Robinson stated that Lynn Rogers has been in contact with the Veterans because they want to make sure no one will be offended.

Mr. Rogers stated that the Veterans have not had an issue with the proposed land use and they want to help the school's expansion needs. Mr. Rogers also stated that the Veterans Memorial will be left alone.

Chairman Gimson stated that the value of the land would need to be negotiated and the area surveyed.

Mr. Teegarden made a motion to move forward with the School Board to acquire the land by the Middle School and High School which encompass Field 4 and the vacant lot to the east; seconded by Ms. Teel. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 9, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 0.

Mr. Bontrager stated that the land will need to be re-surveyed and the parcel descriptions will need to be re-written. Right now the land is described in one parcel which includes the Veterans Memorial.

Mr. Bontrager will begin the process on ordering a survey and determining the value of the land.

Dr. Robinson stated that the School Board would like to present their plan to the community this fall.

Mr. Bontrager stated that the Board's recommendation will be presented to City Council for final approval.

The Board had a small discussion on moving the lights located at Field 4 to the soccer field. The proposed relocation will be discussed at another meeting.

Treasury Report

No comment

Directors Report

Recreation Park Improvements

Mr. Bontrager stated that Manion Complete Concrete is moving forward with the Recreation Park Restrooms and have an estimated completion date of Friday, August 9, 2013.

After the restroom project is complete, the City will complete the dirt work and hook up the electricity.

The restrooms at Beavers Park will begin construction after the Recreation Park restrooms are completed.

Mr. McVicker stated that he would like accountability from contractors and the work they are completing.

Mr. Teegarden stated that he would like weekly updates on the lighting project in Recreation Park.

Ms. Helmich asked if there was still an option of contracting out the project.

Mr. Bontrager stated that the lighting project could still be contracted out if timing is an issue but the cost would be higher. The Park Board had decided in the past to use city crews to keep the cost lower.

Mr. McVicker stated that he did not want Mr. Bontrager or the Board to foster a bad relationship with city departments by contracting out work.

Chairman Gimson stated that he would rather save money and wait longer for the project to be finished so money can be stretched farther and used for multiple projects.

Mr. Bontrager will visit with the city departments about connecting the water and sewer to the Recreation Park restrooms and the projected time frame.

The sewer is within 40-60 ft. the building and will need to be connected along with the water. The ground will also need to be backfilled and compacted.

The Board told Mr. Bontrager to use his discretionary judgment on the project and to contract out the work if needed. Mr. Bontrager will keep the Board informed of the progress.

Mr. Bontrager reported that the water hydrant located at Shelter House #1 has a few issues and is leaking. The drinking fountain is on the same line and will have to be removed along with the hydrant. However, a new drinking will be installed. The new restroom facility also has a drinking fountain.

EDOC Meeting Date

EDOC would like to meet with the Park Board to begin discussing economic development.

The Park Board scheduled a meeting for Thursday, August 22, 2013 before the regular Park Board meeting.

Mr. Gimson will verify with the EDOC group that the date and time will work.

Park Staff

Mr. Garr stated that he will be losing his summer help in the next few weeks.

Old Business

Scoreboards at Baseball Fields

Mr. Garr stated that the three scoreboards for the baseball fields have arrived; however, they may be a challenge to install since the parks staff will be reduced to two people.

Mr. Garr asked if it would be better to contract out the installation of the I-beams.

The Board suggested asking NW Electric if they would help with the installation.

Mr. McVicker asked about placing sponsorships on the scoreboards and Mr. Garr stated that sponsorships could most likely be done if needed.

Mr. Bontrager stated that he would like to look at the legal aspect of sponsorships at a public park before moving ahead with the idea.

Mr. Teegarden made a motion for Mr. Garr to install the scoreboards in any way needed. Motion dies for lack of second.

New Business

Recreation Park Roadway

Mr. Bontrager stated that the school is willing to work with the Park Board to reduce the amount of traffic through Recreation Park.

Chairman Gimson asked about the possibility of speed bumps to help slow traffic.

Mr. Bontrager stated that speed bumps make snow removal difficult; however, they may be a possibility to put some by the restrooms and high traffic areas.

Mr. Jones would like to see speed bumps to help reduce speed and also crosswalk areas where people can safely cross the road.

Mr. Bontrager stated that he has had discussions with Dr. Robinson about the possibility of the schools contributing some funds to the project. Mr. Bontrager will continue the discussion with Dr. Robinson.

Mr. Bontrager also stated that the contractors will install permanent asphalt speed bumps (if that is the route the Park Board goes) and crosswalk when the project is completed.

Mr. Teegarden asked how the weight of the school busses would affect the asphalt.

Mr. Bontrager stated that because of the current condition and the sub-base, the old asphalt will be completely removed and a new layer installed. Mr. Bontrager has already contacted the school about the concern of busses traveling on the road and they will do their best to find an alternative route to the school.

Two bids were received for the installation of new asphalt road running through Recreation Park: Metro Asphalt, Inc. for \$167,596.50 and Advanced Asphalt Paving & Concrete for \$153,714.00.

Mr. Bontrager recommended Advanced Asphalt Paving & Concrete for \$153,714.00

Mr. Teegarden made a motion to hire Advanced Asphalt Paving & Concrete to install the new asphalt road for \$153,714.00; seconded by Mr. Jameson. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 9, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 0.

Mr. Bontrager recommended that the curb work at Recreation Park be contracted out to save money and expedite the project.

Mr. Bontrager has asked Amino Brothers for a price to install the curb and it will cost \$12.50 per lineal foot and could be installed in approximately one day for an approximate cost of \$8,000.

Ms. Briggs made a motion to move forward with the curb installation by hiring Amino Brothers for \$12.50 per lineal foot; seconded by Mr. Teegarden. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 9, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 0.

Mr. Bontrager stated that the storm sewer pipes lying under the asphalt road in Recreation Park will need to be replaced. The pipes will be fixed under the section of the road before the new asphalt is poured and will be connected to the new pipe at a later date as time allows. A map showing the storm sewer pipe was provided to the Board.

Other storm sewer pipes in the Park will need to be reviewed because they are not large enough to handle the water flow.

Ms. Helmich made a motion to repair the storm sewer pipe under the road in Recreation Park before the asphalt is laid; seconded by Ms. Briggs. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 9, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 0.

Mr. Bontrager will look into the cost of Lawns Unlimited placing mulch and grass in Recreation Park after everything is completed. Cost estimates will be provided to the Board at a future meeting.

Miscellaneous

Mr. McVicker brought up an issue of a water drainage issue between the school and Field 2 which is causing an issue at the golf course fairway at Hole 2.

Mr. Gimson brought up an issue of a water drainage issue between the sewer lift station road and the properties to the west of the ball fields.

Mr. Bontrager will mention the issue to city crews and see what can be done to correct the problem.

McDonald Park

Mr. Teegarden has heard from the sorority Marge McDonald is a part of and they are raising money to purchase statues to place in Gazebo Park, if the Park Board agrees. They would like to have a dedication ceremony around Halloween.

Park Signage

Mr. Garr will look at signage ideas for the Board to review.

Old Band Shell

Mr. Teegarden has talked to the family of Dr. Bob Compton and they have given their approval to tear down the Old Band Shelter located by the swimming pool. They would like the plaque to be placed at the Tom Price Pavilion if possible.

Mr. Jones would like to investigate the cost of utilizing the concrete slab as an “exercise area” station for individuals walking the circuit.

Mr. Teegarden said he would mention the idea to the Compton family.

Cameron Swim Team

Mr. Jameson reported that the Cameron Swim Team won the sportsman award plaque and they would like to display it at the swimming pool.

Mr. Jameson suggested purchasing a small trophy case so the swim team can display their awards.

Mr. Jones made a motion to purchase a small trophy case for the swim team to display their awards at the swimming pool; seconded by Mr. Teegarden. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 9, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 0.

Cameron Youth Football Cheer (CYFC)

Mr. Jones asked the Board if the CYFC would store their equipment again this year at the Field 4 storage station for the 2013 season.

The Board stated that CYFC can store their equipment at the Field 4 storage station.

Ashtray Containers

Mr. Gar stated that Michelle Faggerstone contacted him and asked if the Board would want to purchase four ashtray containers for \$50 each to place at the park. They are made of hard plastic.

Mr. Jones said he was fine with the purchase as long as they were not placed at the ball fields.

Mr. Jones made a motion to purchase four ashtray containers for \$50 each to place at McCorkle Park; seconded by Ms. Helmich. *On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 8, nays – 1, abstentions – 0,*

Adjourn

Chairman Gimson entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Ms. Briggs and seconded by Mr. McVicker. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 9, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Park Board will be 7:00pm on August 22, 2013 at City Hall following the EDOC planning meeting at 6:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 pm.

*Chris O'Donnell
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*Bill Gimson
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