

The Cameron Park Board Meeting

June 25, 2015

6:00 p.m.

Cameron City Hall

Members Present:

President Bill Gimson

Wendy Copple

Rich Whalen

Jennifer Helmich

Cory Brown

Al Briggs

Ruth Hammontree

Jennifer Helmich called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

The floor was opened for public forum. Connie Lintner, 5301 Lakeview Driver of Cameron stated that the bathrooms at the Park Valley Complex are in deplorable condition. The men's bathroom doesn't lock and it's simply embarrassing. She asked that we consider power washing and making the simple improvements we can that involve plumbing and cleaning. Second she asked that during this planning for the new proposed ball fields we consider downward facing lights that would minimize the light pollution for people that live near the fields but still want to enjoy the night.

Ms. Helmich (as asked by Mr. Gimson) asked if there were questions regarding the current treasurer's report. There were none.

Ms. Helmich then asked if there were any questions or corrections to the April 23 minutes. There were none. Mr. Brown moved to accept the minutes. Ms. Copple seconded. All approved. The motion carried.

Ms. Helmich then asked if there were questions of corrections to the May 20 work session minutes. There were none. Mr. Brown moved to accept the minutes. Ms. Copple seconded. All approved. The motion carried.

Ms. Helmich then asked if there were questions or corrections to the May 28 Park Board meeting minutes. Mr. Brown, Ms. Copple and Ms. Helmich abstained from voting so the May 28 minutes approval was held over.

The Board was reminded of upcoming meeting dates: July 8 for a work meeting and July 15th for the final public meeting.

Old Business

Mr. Whalen suggested that we table the drainage at Recreation Park discussion until Drew Bontrager could be present.

New Business

The capital budget was discussed and the prospects of a new truck and mower were revisited. Mr. Whalen asked Steve Garr if anything was currently wrong with the city truck currently in use. Mr. Garr stated that it has 101,000 miles and has minimal expenditures during the last couple of years on maintenance and repair and that nothing is currently wrong. For this reason a new truck won't be added at this time to the capital budget. A new mower however is still seen as a current need and will be moved to the capital budget memo. Ms. Hammontree asked that we commit a distinctive amount to the repair of the Park Valley restrooms since regardless of the addition of new fields or not, since we were planning to keep the current fields, we need to make sure they're usable. Mr. Gimson said regarding the current budget planning there was no reason we shouldn't be able to commit \$50,000 to the fields. In regard to the old band shell at Recreation Park, the Board would like to move forward with its removal, which is estimated at around \$6,000.

In regard to the partnership request with the Cameron R1 School District to provide playground equipment at the new Intermediate School, Mr. Brown motioned that we decline the partnership at this time. Ms. Helmich seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Gimson stated that he is still going to try to meet with Dr. Robinson in July regarding a new usage agreement and insurance and we need to do the same with the YMCA.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Whalen suggested we look into bidding out concessions at the fields to a third party vendor, as it is successful in other communities.

Ms. Briggs asked how the Vote Yes Marketing Committee could contact Larkin for a donation. It was suggested that Mr. Bontrager could provide a contact number.

Adjournment

Mr. Briggs made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Whalen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Cameron Park Board is scheduled for Thursday, July 23 at 6 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth Hammontree

Bill Jensen
7/23/15