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Cameron Park Board Meeting
Thursday, March 28, 2019
6:00 pm
Cameron City Hall

Members Present:

Richard Whalen
Al Briggs
Bill Gimson
Jennifer Helmich
Ruth Sears
Cory Brown
Wendy Copple

Members Absent:

Chairman – Jason Jones
Carrie Sybert

Others Attending:

Drew Bontrager
Steve Garr

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

Approval of February 28, 2019 Minutes

Mr. Whalen stated the following needs to be added under 4. New Business – Pool Management Agreement; in addition to the YMCA asking for \$21,000 it was also discussed that the revenue of \$53,334 was kept by the YMCA.

Ms. Briggs made a motion to approve the amended minutes of February 28, 2019; seconded by Ms. Helmich. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 6, nays – 0, abstentions – 1, absent – 2.

1. Public Participation

Nathan Stock with the Cameron Disc Golf club came before the Park Board for approval to make improvements to the Disc Golf amenities. Improvements include; replacement to a t-pad that was removed when piping work was done, Hole 5 has a “sink hole” and the basket needs to be moved, hole 2, they would like to make more difficult and hole 7 the basket needs to be lowered.

Nathan stated he would like to have more disc golfers from other communities come to Cameron to play as well as eventually getting the school involved. The Club has events planned for 2019, the first one starting next week. The Disc Golf Club would like permission to move forward to make the improvements to the course. The Club has raised money for the improvements. Cost is about \$2,000.

Mr. Whalen suggested moving the bridge by the Volleyball court over to hole 1 where there is a mud pit
Nathan stated there are mandatory safety precautions put in place when playing closely to houses and the playgrounds

Mr. Brown asked the Disc Golf Club to bring a wish list of improvements before the Park Board and they might be able to partner together

Mr. Garr stated the course is a par 3, school and recreational use. The low hanging limbs in some places are there purposely to make the course more challenging

Mr. Gimson stated budget planning starts in June/July, will need a list before budget planning starts

Mr. Bontrager stated the Disc Golf Club to get with Steve on any improvements.

2. Treasurer's Report

None.

3. Director/Foreman's Report

Drew Bontrager

The Eagle Scouts will be moving the fitness equipment located at the park out to the trails. The equipment is being moved due to the low utilization on the corner of the park

The City is looking at redoing the gutters and storm water in the park as well as adding sidewalks that are 6ft wide

At the last meeting it was discussed how much usage the dog park gets. Drew checked with animal control and they are still working on the data

Arbor Day is April 26 – planting trees and talking with students will start about 8:30am and will go into late morning

Walk and Wag takes place on Saturday May 4 at 9:00am at Recreation Park

Steve Garr

The soccer field has been reseeded and top dressing added.

4. New Business

A: Nathan Stock – talked with the park board in public participation

B: Pool Management Agreement:

Drew provided the Park Board with a presentation. For due diligence purposes, the Park Board looked at finding additional pool management companies. A management proposal with the YMCA and USA Pools were presented.

Drew followed up with the YMCA. The YMCA stated it is late in the season and there is no agreement in place. They indicated they have included 2019 pool management to their budget for the year. Discussion included; pool hours, cost to operate the pool, cleaning agreement, supplies needed, and the disbursement of the chemicals into the pool.

Drew provided the Park Board with reported revenue throughout the years as well as the cost of expenses. Discussion held.

Mr. Brown stated his concern with the YMCA if we do not continue a pool management relationship.

Mr. Garr stated the contract with YMCA states they will do the daily cleaning, in the past this has been had to be done by the City staff. An aged pool has many concerns and issues however USA Pools states they will take care of all the daily responsibilities as they have the knowledge and capability when it comes to cleaning filters, testing the water levels and much more.

Mr. Gimson stated no matter who manages the pool they will still run into the same problem when it comes to finding employees with set skills.

Discussion held.

Ms. Helmich made a motion to hire the USA Pools to manage the pool for 2019; seconded by Mr. Whalen. Discussion held.

Ms. Briggs stated we need to let the YMCA know we are looking and another company to manage the pool for 2020.

All in favor for USA Pool to run the pool for 2019; motion failed with the following roll call vote. "Aye" Park Board Members: Sears, Helmich, and Whalen. "Nay" Gimson, Copple, Briggs, and Brown. Absent: Jones and Sybert.

Cory Brown made a motion to hire the YMCA to run the pool; seconded by Ms. Briggs. Motion passed with the following roll call vote. "Aye" Gimson, Copple, Briggs and Brown. "Nay" Sears, Helmich, and Whalen. Absent: Jones and Sybert.

Drew distributed the standard contract with the YMCA to the Park Board, explaining the contract in detail along with all changes.

Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the YMCA contract as presented, seconded by Ms. Copple. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 7, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 2.

Ms. Sears announced to the Park Board this will be her last meeting.

Drew stated they will run an advertisement in the paper for applications and will bring them to the April meeting.

5. Old Business

None.

6. Miscellaneous

Drew introduced the new City Manager, Steve Rasmussen

7. Executive Session

The board entered into Executive Session. Please see attached minutes.

Adjourn

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Copple. On voice vote the motion carries as follows: ayes – 7, nays – 0, abstentions – 0, absent – 2.

The next scheduled meeting of the Park Board is April 25, 2019 at 6:00pm at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:07 pm.

Katherine Hahn
Secretary Recorder
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