Minutes
Parks & Recreation Board Meeting
Kinnick-Feller Park Gazebo
6:00pm, Monday, October 5, 2020

1. **Attendance and recognition of guests**
   Members present Patricia Ehrenfried, Kari Johns, Jeremy Brancheau, Rich Miller, and Ryan Steinfeldt
   Staff present: Director of Parks and Recreation Nick Schenck and Recreation/Aquatics Supervisor Sadie Mudder
   Guests present: Bob Ockerman, Adel City Council Liaison to the Park Board

2. **Approval of minutes**
   Minutes approved for September 2020
   Motion by Brancheau; second by Ehrenfried
   5-Ayes 0-Nayes

3. **Citizens to address the Board**

4. **Director's Report**

-*Parks Department Update*

A. **Parks Seasonal Shutdown**
All City parks will be winterized for the winter season beginning around the week of October 12th except for Island Park Campground which will remain open until after their annual Shoot the Moon Soccer Tournament. Director Schenck did say that the water sources in the Parks may be on longer if the warmer weather continues.

B. **Zipline Update**
The zipline in Evans Park is up and operational!
There is a virtual ribbon cutting on Tuesday, October 6th at 11:30 a.m. Special thanks to the donors for the project: McClure Engineering, Adel Rotary club, Dallas County Foundation, Cramer and Associates, Adel Lions Club, and the Adel Kiwanis Club.

C. **Island Park Options**
The Park Board discussed a few options for operations at Island Park. Schenck has been contacted by 2 residents that are interested in the park operations in different capacities. Both have interest in possibly leasing out camping operations from the City. A lease agreement would need to be drafted up and signed by both parties. Schenck is hopeful to receive some more information form those individuals in a proposal that will kick start the drafting of possible lease agreement. The Adel City Council would like an updated plan from the Park Board by the end of 2020.

D. **Planning Committee 40 acres**
Director Schenck is currently collecting names of individuals in the community that are interested in helping with the planning of the amenities that will go into that 40-acre park area near the aquatic center. The City currently has money budgeted to hire a consultant planning firm to assist with this process. Meeting locations were discussed and whether they would be in person or virtual.

-**Aquatic Center Painting**
While not on the agenda, Schenck updated the board on the progress of the repainting of the aquatic center. The pool basin has been sandblasted and re-painting has started.

-*Recreation Department Update*

A. **Recreation Basketball Update**
Rec. Supervisor Sadie Mudder gave an update on the progression of the Rec. Basketball season. Sign-ups are coming in quite well for the 1st and 2nd grade league. The 3rd-6th Grade registration is not open yet but will be soon. We are still working with area communities for game possibilities as well as ADM Schools on protocols for Covid-19 safety measures.

B. **Grocery Cart Races**
Rec. Supervisor Sadie Mudder gave an update on how the 1st Annual Grocery Cart Races went. The event was held Saturday morning October 3rd with 8 teams participating. $160.00 in monetary donations and roughly $300.00 of food was donated to the Adel Food Pantry. The event was very successful.

C. **Walk Adel-Iowa's Healthiest State Initiative**
Rec. Supervisor Mudder gave an update to an upcoming event, Adel's Healthiest State Initiative Walk that will be over the Noon hour on Wednesday, October 7th.

D. **Park Board Member Update**
Schenck said that applications are still being received for a new Park Board member to replace Heith Hockenberry who recently moved out of the Adel City Limits. Schenck expects Mayor Jim Peters to appoint a new member at the October 13th Adel City Council Meeting.

Tree Board: Women's Club Tree Donation
The Adel Women's Club has paid $250.00 towards the purchase of a tree for one of our Parks. They have chosen a Hackberry tree. The tree will be planted Wednesday, October 7th in Evans Park.

Adjournment: Motion: Steinfeldt, 2nd: Ehrenfried
Ayes-5 Nayes-0