

ZUMBROTA PARK BOARD
Monday January 8, 2024, 6 PM
ZUMBROTA CITY HALL

PRESENT: Board Members Mike Schulte, Troy Ness, Kayla Gifford, and Mary Goplen. Communications Specialist & Account Technician Miranda Raasch, Public Works Director Mike Olson, & City Administrator Brian Grudem.

NOT PRESENT:

APPROVE AGENDA

MOTION GIFFORD, second NESS to approve the agenda with the addition of the 2024 Park Board Officers. Carried unanimously.

APPROVE MINUTES

MOTION SCHULTE, second GIFFORD to approve the meeting minutes from Monday December 4th, 2023. Carried unanimously.

APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

MOTION NESS, second SCHULTE to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$2,682.07. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

POOL UPDATE

Grudem informed the Park Board of the different options for a special election or adding the pool referendum on to an existing election for 2024. It would cost around \$13,000 to hold a stand-alone, special election. If the referendum waits until August or November, pending a 'yes' vote, the soonest the pool could open would be November of 2026. If

voted on by April 2024, completion would be sooner. **MOTION** NESS, second GIFFORD to begin the process of putting the new pool referendum question on the August 13th, 2024, ballot. Carried unanimously.

PRIORITY LIST

Dugouts – Ness will apply for a grant through the MN Twins Baseball organization. This grant is a matching grant up to \$15,000.

Park Road – Will need to wait until the Trestle Bridge is replaced (which will need to be soon.)

Campground Bathrooms – Olson will work on getting plans drawn up and an application into the Department of Health. Construction will hopefully begin in Spring or 2024.

More Seasonal Campsites – Construction is set to being in Spring of 2024.

Tree Replacement – A \$58,800 grant was received to aid in tree replacement due to Ash Borer.

NEW BUSINESS

LETTER OF INTEREST

Aaron Wichmann submitted a letter of interest (to serve) to the Park Board. **MOTION** NESS, second GIFFORD to recommend Aaron Wichmann as a new member of the Park Board. Carried unanimously.

REPORTS

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION NESS, second GIFFORD to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 PM. The next meeting will be held on Monday February 5th, 2024.