

ZUMBROTA PARK BOARD
Monday April 4th, 2022, 6 P.M.
ZUMBROTA CITY HALL

PRESENT: Members Fred Raasch (virtually,) Mary Goplen, Troy Ness, and Chris Horvath. City Communications Specialist & Account Technician Miranda Raasch, Public Works Director Mike Olson, Pool Manager Anne Idler, Youth Services Librarian Paula Steigerwald. Community Member Charlie Nelson (left after 6.B.)

APPROVE AGENDA

MOTION, NESS second GIFFORD to approve the agenda. Carried unanimously.

APPROVE MINUTES

MOTION GIFFORD, second NESS to approve the meeting minutes from Monday March 7th, 2022. Carried unanimously.

APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

MOTION Gifford, second NESS to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$533.49. Carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PRIORITY LIST PROJECT UPDATE

Ness shared that he is going to begin retrieving updated quotes for the concrete pads for the new dugouts at the City Ball Fields.

POOL UPDATE

Olson stated that he spoke with Josh at Burbach Aquatics, and they are not inclined to attend a Park Board meeting until we provide them with a solid number of the amount that needs to be fundraised for. Raasch suggested raising funds for a splash pad.

Idler stated that she has 14 guards that have applied so far to lifeguard. She would like to get 10 more applicants. She also expressed her concern for staffing swimming lessons with a low number of guards. She is considering staggering lesson times to allow less guards to teach more lessons. Olson stated that the City of Goodhue expressed interest in sharing lifeguard training classes. The tentative pool opening date for the 2022 season is June 6th. Idler expressed interest in applying for the Minnesota Youth Water Safety Grant.

Swimming lesson dates for the 2022 season:

June 13-24

July 11-22

August 8-19

SUMMER STAFF JOB EXPECTATION

NEW BUSINESS

STORY WALK REQUEST

Paula Steigerwald, the Youth Services Librarian, requested permission to place the Story Walk signs along the walking path in the Covered Bridge Park. This would run from June through August of 2022. MOTION NESS, second GIFFORD to approve the placement of the Story Walk. Carried unanimously.

CAMPGROUND RULES

Tabled until May 2022 meeting.

WADING POOL REMOVAL BID

Schumacher Excavating provided a bid to City staff for \$6,500. This would include the removal of the wading pool (break up concrete and haul off site and haul in and level up 100 cubic yards of topsoil.) If the City took care of the topsoil themselves, \$2,500 could be deducted from the cost. MOTION GIFFORD, second NESS to approve the removal of the wading pool with the City taking care of the topsoil for the amount of \$4,000. Carried unanimously.

SKATE PARK DISCUSSION

Zumbrota Resident, Derrek Chapin, has created a group on Facebook with interest in helping maintain the Skate Park. He is interested in finding out how this group can work with the City to maintain this amenity and potentially help raise funds for future repairs or expansions. M. Raasch will reach out to Chapin.

LIFEGUARD WAGE DISCUSSION

Idler will do more research in to what local pools did with their wages for 2022. **MOTION** NESS, second GIFFORD, to keep the wages as they currently (are at minimum) but will revisit at the May 2022 meeting.

MOTION NESS, second GIFFORD, to approve the purchase of 1 new swimming suit per lifeguard for the 2022 season.

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARKING LOT

Olson is waiting to hear back from a blacktopping company regarding the possibility of donating some of the black top for the parking lot. The hopes are that this can be done prior to Memorial Day of this year.

PARK BOARD MEMBER TERMS

This information was provided to the board as an FYI.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be held on Monday May 2nd, 2022.

MOTION NESS, second GIFFORD to adjourn meeting at 7:17 PM. Carried unanimously.