

**ZUMBROTA PARK BOARD**  
**Monday September 12, 2022, 6 P.M.**  
**ZUMBROTA CITY HALL**

**PRESENT:** Board Members Fred Raasch, Kayla Gifford, Mary Goplen, and Troy Ness. City Administrator Brian Grudem and Communication Specialist and Account Technician. Council Member Dirk Cedergren and Sgt Tony Pasquale.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

**MOTION** GOPLEN, second NESS to approve the agenda. Carried unanimously.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

**MOTION** GIFFORD, second GOPLEN to approve the meeting minutes from Monday August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Carried unanimously.

**APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**MOTION** NESS, second GIFFORD to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$5,818.25. Carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

NONE

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**PRIORITY LIST PROJECT UPDATES**

The Park Board discussed narrowing down their priority list to focus on only a few projects per year to finish. In 2022, they would like to finish the shelter bathrooms and countertop, ball field

dugouts, and disk golf expansion. Ness would like staff to gather quotes for fencing around the dugouts at the public softball fields as well as roofing.

Staff will provide a revised priority list for the October 2022 meeting.

Mike Nolte was present to discuss the expansion of the disk golf course. Ness and Nolte (who have been working on this project together) recommend purchasing 18 new baskets at the cost of \$399.99 per basket. Each basket would then have a paid sponsor for the t-signs and baskets. The main course sign would also have spaces for sponsorships. **MOTION** NESS second GIFFORD, to purchase the supplies for tee box signs and new baskets as well as begin setting funds aside for the tee boxes. Carried unanimously.

### **POOL UPDATE**

Grudem informed the board that the first meeting with Ehlers was held. They are still trying to solidify a number that the city can contribute to the cost. Staff will have Burbach Aquatics give us an estimated cost on a pool with the same footprint as our current structure but with zero depth entry.

### **EMERALD ASH BORER DISCUSSION**

Staff presented a quote from Bob the Bug Man LLC for the treatment of 10 Ash Trees in the entrance of the Covered Bridge Park. Saving these 10 trees would allow the canopy coming into the park to stay. As per Bob and Jonathan Osthus from the Department of Agriculture, these trees are “very treatable.” Treatment would take place every other year for about 5 to 7 years then treatment can start to be spread out more. Staff recommended approval of the treatment of the 10 trees at the cost of \$2,342.81 every 2 years. **MOTION** NESS, second GOPLEN to approve the treatment of 10 canopy trees in the Covered Bridge Park at the amount of \$2,342.81. Carried unanimously.

### **2023 PARK AND POOL BUDGET**

The 2023 budget saw an increase of \$15,000. **MOTION** NESS, second GIFFORD to approve the 2023 Park and Pool budget as written. Carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **PARK BENCHES**

Staff recommended to the Park Board that a standardized bench be chosen for all future benches donated to the park. Doing so would create a more uniform look throughout the city. This would also ensure that a sturdy bench is being placed. Colors could be chosen by the donor. **MOTION** NESS, second GIFFORD to approve standardizing the benches that are donated throughout the parks. Carried unanimously.

### **UPDATES**

M.Raasch invited the Park Board on behalf of the Veterans Memorial Committee to attend the dedication ceremony on Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 10:30 AM.

Grudem presented the survey results of the Covered Bridge Park. He asked the board to think about this over the next month and discuss an action plan at the October 2022 meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022.

**MOTION** NESS, second GIFFORD to adjourn meeting at 7:37 PM. Carried unanimously.