

October 2021 Parks Board Minutes

Parks Board Meeting October 14th, 2021

Mullett called meeting called to order at 5:02 PM

Present: Olson, Beattie, and Paul. Also present was Mark Ramsey, our City Council Liaison, Betsy Smith, Council member, and Several Board members from the Miami County Girls Softball Association.

Absent: Murphy.

Paul had corrections to the minutes (Nickel was misspelled two times)

Mullett made the motion to accept the minutes as amended.

Second by Olson. Motion passed unanimously.

Golf course report:

Clark reported that they have been doing their normal weekly duties at the course. They have been mowing, veri-cutting the greens, changing pins on greens. They have been Back lapping Reels, greasing equipment, working on irrigation, and watering greens.

He made mention that they have been digging up a lot of leaks. As of now they have about 17 leaks. They started putting the disc sleeves in the ground. This means the disc course is almost ready to play. They have stone and will try to repair the bridge on 13. They will start leaf blowing soon. Garry also mentioned that Jeff has really stepped up and been helping them a lot.

Park Super Report:

Helvie reported that the Street Dept. got Davis Park basketball court lined, and that will all but complete Davis Park. All the hanging baskets, and planters have been picked up from downtown. They have started working on Rotary Park and helped with the disc course. They have also started fall fertilization. They are preparing for leaf blowing. They are trying to finish up seeding around the Bellar bldg., and overseeding around the Nickel Plate ext. They are planning to clean up stumps and debris, as well as dead tree removal. They want to work on parking at West City and finish up a few other projects before winter.

Golf Course Report: Jeff Grant:

Jeff reported that revenue was coming in as expected. They are right at \$235,000.00 is revenue for the year. We believe that is our break-even point. The golf course would be profitable as of now. They are planning and hoping the course is playable well into November. He is still working on bringing the clothing and other merch back under his control.

Old Business:

There was no old business discussed.

New Business:

There was discussion started by Paul to create a 5-year plan. A plan to organize projects. Councilwoman Smith suggested some of the ARP money could be used for Parks. It was discussed that a committee might be formed to help get this plan down on paper. It might be formed in January of 2022. Golf Carts still have not arrived. Garry mentioned that he would call them again. Beattie, and Olson also volunteered to call the company as well.

David Dicken spoke on behalf of Miami County Girls Softball Association. They were at the meeting checking on progress of parking lot. They might have an opportunity for a sponsorship to handle it. It was decided to get with Cliff to communicate their ideas. They also had an idea to tear down the old concession stand and build new. That to was recommended to Cliff, they would need approval from City to do any demolition.

With no other new business being heard

Olson made a motion to adjourn, second by Beattie...meeting adjourned at 5:58pm.

Next meeting will be held November 11, 2021, at 5pm in the council chambers.

Submitted by Tommie Beattie, Secretary.