WARREN PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Call to order: Meeting called to order by Anthony Casasanta

In Attendance: Mike McCrillis, Taras Sawka, George Chapp, Heather Craig, Sara Frederick, Ken Voss, Council Ex-officio Councilman Jonathan Lafferty
Excused Absence: Jim Schoenherr, Ken Dalpra

Approval of Agenda: A motion by Commissioner McCrillis, seconded by Commissioner Chapp to approve the Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Nominations of Officers: Commisioner Sawka nominated himself as Chairperson, seconded by Commissioner Chapp, there were no other nominations. Commisioner McCrillis nominated himself as Vice-Chairperson, seconded by Commissioner Sawka,

Discussion & Vote on Commission By-Laws: Discussion by Commissioner McCrillis that if a commissioner missed two consecutive meetings, unexcused absences, then the board should have the option to remove that commissioner. A motion by Commissioner McCrillis, seconded by Commissioner Fredrick to adopt the bylaws as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

A. Discussion about the skate park that it is a large investment for the city and what plans are in place to secure the skate park and prevent, vandalism, graffiti etc.. Discussion about installing cameras in the park and voice technology to keep people out when it is not open.

B. Discussion about the renovations of the bathrooms and north pavilion at Halmich Park. The concession stand building is currently under construction and being renovated. Plans are being drawn up for the south and north bathrooms and north pavilion and hope to start construction renovation by April 2025.

C. The dog park gate has been installed and will be functional on October 14. Patrons need a key fob to enter the dog park. To get a key fob they must have a dog license. Key fobs are an annual fee of $10 for residents and $20 for non-residents. Non-residents must provide updated vaccination records in order to obtain a fob.

New Business:

A motion subject to the amendment of the ordinance, the Parks and Recreation Ordinance by City Council by Commissioner Chapp, seconded by Commissioner Frederick to approve the 2025 Quarterly Meeting Dates of January 15, April 16, July 16 and October 15. Meeting times will be at 6:30pm at the Warren Community Center conference room B. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made and motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED