Ferdinand Park & Recreation Board Minutes

Wednesday, June 1, 2016

Regular monthly meeting of Ferdinand Park and Recreation Board was held on Wednesday, June 1 beginning at 4:34 p.m. in the town hall. In attendance were Matt Weyer, Mike Steffe, Dolores Boeglin and Tom Lueken.

Minutes and expense report were approved with a motion by Mike and seconded by Matt. Tom said the 5th St. Shelterhouse project is complete. He did ask Matt to check into an emergency light at 5th St. and the fan and light at 18th St.

A discussion was held on what to charge the Rosenvolk committee for the use of 18th St. park. A motion was made by Dolores to charge \$1200.00 and was seconded by Matt. Normal park rental did not apply in this case due to the amount of days they would need for set up, etc. The board did have a number of concerns and a list was forwarded to them to be addressed before a lease would be signed: what would happen in case of rain; insurance will be required; need map of location of all tents, porta pots, dumpsters; environmental issues such as spillage from moving porta pots; bus parking; will tables be needed and number; will cauldrons be used for heat and how will they be set up; overnight camping; fencing and what utilities.

Tricia Gross was present asking for permission to use 3 fields for a Team Central softball tourney planned for June 18-19 and July 9-10. Ferdinand Girls softball will have the concessions.

Tom reported vandalism on May 7. A number of doors were broken into. Cost estimate to repair is \$10,000. The metal doors were damaged and cannot simply be painted over as they will rust once the finish is damaged. Police to apprehend the vandals as they were headed to Forest Park High School where they intended to do the same thing.

Tom and Mike met with Astro Security to get and esimate on a locking system for parks.

Tom said the park recreation interns were very useful in helping with the grant application for town projects that he has been working on.

Phyllis Winkler's family requested permission to put up something at the park in memory of her. The board said they would approve this.

Colin Daunhauer was hired for the summer mowing and started work on June 2.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. with next meeting on Wednesday, July 5.

Dolores Boeglin, Secretary

Questions and Concerns On Upcoming Rosenvolk

Insurance: Proof of insurance will be required. We have been contacted by town attorney and insurance agent on this.

Weather Issues: What will be the plan in case of rain. Will the horses still be used. This would be a concern due to amount of damage this would cause.

Map: Need a final map of location of all events, etc.

Ground Repair: How will repair be done and who will be doing the repair.

Porta Pots & Dumpsters: What will be location of dumpsters and porta pots. Board is concerned about using trucks to place and retrieve dumpsters. Board would like to have large dumpster placed at the end of parking lot to avoid driving on lawn. Porta pots are an environmental issue. When picking up porta pots extra care must be taken to avoid spillage. In the past, this has been a real issue and we want to avoid this happening again.

Overnight Camping: We will need to have a list of exactly how many and who will be staying the night. We realize some security is necessary but there is no camping allowed in the parks.

Bus Parking: Due to limited space, we feel off-site parking of buses will be necessary. What are plans to address this issue.

Tables: Will picnic tables be needed, where will they be located and how many will be required.

Cauldrons: It had been stated that cauldrons could possibly be used as a source of heat in case of unseasonably cold weather. These would be required to be off the ground and would need to meet fire marshall's standards. What are plans and location of these.

Fencing: How will fencing be installed. Caution will need to be taken to avoid damage to underground utilities.