

The City of Pelican Rapids held its meeting on Monday, March 28th, 2016, at City Hall 315 N. Broadway.

Meeting was called to order at 8:12 a.m. Motion made by Magnusson, seconded by Zierke.

Park Board members present: Van Holmgren, Len Zierke, and Denise Magnusson. Don Solga and Brian Olson were also in attendance.

Approval of last meetings minutes: Motion made by Magnusson and seconded by Holmgren.

Additions/Deletions: Updates on parks

Brown Field: Moved a lot of dirt and measured out the fields. One main field, (east/west) needed to be longer and wider for High School League regulations. Two fields run N and S, utilizing part of the main field. Will not be played on for one year. Will be putting up a fence on 3 sides. There will also be irrigation. Picnic tables will be placed there in the future. Will also be considering a shelter with electricity.

Camping spaces: In Sherin Park a couple of trees were taken down for new spaces. We may be able to add 4 spaces. All sites will have electricity.

Pool Committee: As it looks, there is not enough community interest at this time. Members involved with the pool committee say they need to start over. Can't move on without community interest. Pool needs a handicapped lift.

Looking for lifeguards and pool manager. Olson's main concern is a pool manager. City will help with partial reimbursement for training of lifeguards.

Intercity Trail: No action recently. It would be nice to find a trailhead. At this time, it's a lower priority for the city. The county is still applying for grants.

Discussion about street project which involves culvert bridge below library. Should Park Board consider this as Trail head?

Skating Rink: Four young people working at rink this past season. Skater numbers were up this year. Next year plan to make one larger rink, instead of two smaller rinks.

Addition: Lyle Peterson would like to know if we would put a park bench/plaque in memory of his wife Judy. Magnusson made the motion, and Zierke seconded that motion.

Addition: Update on the park area above the dam. Oktoberfest has donated \$1,000 for improvement of that space, as in clean up area and flowers.

Next meeting: Monday, April 25th, 2016, at 8:00a.m.

Recorder: Denise Magnusson