

CITY OF EAGLE LAKE PARK BOARD MEETING
January 17, 2017 at 7:00 a.m.
PARK BOARD MEETING AGENDA
City Hall

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:08 a.m. by Joan Back.

Members Present: Gary Walters, Brianna Anderson, Mary Huber, Ryan Short, Brianna Anderson, Joan Back, Brad Potter, and guest Jeremy Horkey.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was presented. Mary Huber moved to approve the report and Joan Back seconded the motion.

Old Business: District 77 was unable to attend due to the two hour late start for the school district.

The city's intern, Jacob Cote has applied for a grant through Southern MN Initiative Foundation which would introduce youth to historic and international ports on weekends.

Community Education ideas were discussed which included the possibility of a local Community Education Development Program. Mrs. Weckworth is offering the maker-space robotics lab, available to students of the Mankato district, during the open gym time. Discussion included if there would be a way to make this available to all children attending open gym.

Jeremy Horkey is also looking into bringing an exhibition of the historic baseball league.

New Business:

1. **Frisbee Golf:** a bridge to cross the creek can be constructed with 2 inch thick planks for approximately \$300. Discussion of installing 3 or 9 baskets concluded with the recommendation of asking for community input at the planned open house.
2. **Park Open House** – A park open house is being planned for late February or early March at the American Legion.
3. **Park Area Development** – Discussion of installing a small park area with sand, tires, tree stumps, and other low cost items similar to the Southern MN Children's Museum took place. The possibility of planting native grasses would provide an area for kids to explore for bugs and frogs. May look into holding a volunteer days to install some of these items. Another item missing from the parks are handicap/special needs equipment.
4. **Shelter** – park board members indicated they are not sure another shelter is needed in Lake Eagle Park at this time since they feel the existing shelter is not used sufficiently to justify adding a second one.
5. **Southeast Park** – Staff is continuing to look at the southeast park of the community by the Eagle Heights Subdivision. The owner of these lots is open to allowing the city the use of one lot for a year to explore the use of such a park. There are currently over 200 living units in this area.

6. Sports Association – Discussion included inviting Al Kiefer to the next Park Board meeting to explain more about the MAYBA community baseball program. Currently Christina Kamm heads up the t-ball schedule but there is no established little league program in Eagle Lake. MAYBA offers a program which would allow for Eagle Lake kids to practice and play in Eagle Lake with some travel to other communities in the area. The cost for such a program was discussed with Jeremy Horkey stating MAYBA does offer scholarships to offset the cost. Mr. Potter stated he would facilitate a meeting with MAYBA, Christina Kamm, Jeremy Horkey and Mike Drummer.

Adjourn – the meeting adjourned at 8:11 a.m.