

**CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
PARK BOARD MEETING
Thursday October 13, 2022**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Horkey at 6:48 a.m.

Members Present: Beth Rohrich, Don Wesley, Jeremey Horkey, Tim Auringer, and Joan Back

Staff Present: Jennifer Bromeland, Brian Goettl, and Kerry Rausch

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was presented.

Business

1. Park Survey Results and Next Steps

- The results of the park survey were included the packet.
 - a. Pavilion
 - Discussion included the desire to gather design ideas and costs.
 - A concept plan from J.R. Murilla Construction was received about one and a half years ago with the cost being approximately \$28,000
 - The following items were discussed as options to include with the pavilion project: an ADA compliant family restroom, possible wind protection, electrical needs, a serving counter, connecting the restrooms to the pavilion, additional storage space, and seating outside of the pavilion structure. If garage doors are included the preference was the roll-up door style. The existing slab would need to be replaced.
 - The green space off LeSueur was to be parking at one time. If a parking lot is ever added in this location a pavilion may want to be added at that area as well.
 - Other area parks and their amenities was discussed, some of which cost between \$300,000-\$500,000 to construct.
 - If a parking lot is developed off of LeSueur there would not be a need to install parking in center of park. connect restroom to pavilion. Could then have a storage area as well.
 - Public Works staff can work with Bolton and Menk to get a preliminary layout for a parking lot and to determine if the existing restrooms will need to be updated with this project if we add a new restroom onto the existing structure. Staff may want to issue an RFP for the pavilion and restroom project.

2. Fox Meadows Housing Development

- Park Dedication Discussion
 - a. Fox Meadows Housing Development
 - City staff reviewed park land dedication requirements for new subdivisions and asked for the Park Board's input about whether there is an interest for a park in the portion currently in city limits. It was noted that the concept plan includes a small area designated as a potential park for parkland. It was explained there is a formula requiring a certain percentage of land or money in lieu of land to be dedicated.
 - Discussion included possible uses of this parkland and the fact that it is difficult for the City of find and purchase additional land for parks once the developments are constructed. Once parkland is dedicated to the City it cannot be sold.
 - Chair Horkey made a recommendation that the proposed parcel designated as parkland totaling .38 acres be dedicated to the City. Mayor Auringer seconded the recommendation. No Park Board members objected to this recommendation.

- Future parkland needs were discussed, and it was mentioned that the City is looking at a location for a water tower and water filtration plant. Consideration has included looking to purchase enough land for future recreational areas.

3. Dog Park

a. Girl Scouts Project and Funds for Future Improvements

- The Girl Scouts have finished their project which included a platform with ramps on both sides for dogs to go up, mulch has been laid, the hydrant painted, as well as a smaller culvert, in small area if the dog park, with steps for dogs to go across.
- The Girl Scouts will be donating the unused donated funds from this project, approximately \$1,300, to the City which will be restricted for dog park improvements, repairs, and signage.
- The project turned out really nice.

4. Miscellaneous Parks Updates (Public Works)

a. Eagle Heights

- Trees - Two trees for Eagle Heights Park will be installed today and a third tree will be planted by the Waible memorial bench along Parkway Avenue.

b. Lake Eagle

- MAYBA is working on the baseball field. They have removed the lime and will be laying grass. The new shed has been delivered and the old shed will be removed. Jeremy Horkey asked if he could receive a key to the shed to store t-ball equipment.

c. Fraze

- Playground Edging – Public Works staff have the edging and will install next spring. It will be trenched in about 6 inches.
- Slide - This park needs a big slide installed and the wood playground structure needs maintenance. The Public Works staff was asked to obtain pricing and estimated delivery time so that a decision can be made this winter to allow for the slide to be installed in the spring.
- Park Board members were asked to visit the City's parks and determine park needs before the next meeting to help determine what needs to be planned for next spring.

d. 3 on 3

- Don Wesely explained the success of this project and stated that girls did not participate much. Discussion included the desire to continue this programming in 2023 and that age groups and times of activities may need to be reviewed and adjusted, possibly taking into consideration working parents' schedules. The desire to include this and other recreational opportunities in the Community Education booklet was discussed.

e. Fitness Opportunities

- Jeremy Horkey stated he has been talking to a Yoga and Zumba instructor who is willing to hold Zumba classes in Eagle Lake once a location can be found. The desire to hold this and other community activities at the school was discussed.

f. Holiday Lights

- The Park Board would like judging to occur later in the holiday season, possibly the second week in December, and to have community members vote on their favorite.

g. Hockey Rink

- The hockey rink was pressure wash and now waiting to be painted.

h. Sports Complex – Discussion occurred about the desire to attract a sports complex to Eagle Lake, but due to costs of such a project investor would need to be secured.

i. Recreation Sub-committee - Don Wesely asked if a Park Board sub-committee could be formed to brainstorm recreational ideas for the City.