

**CITY OF EAGLE LAKE PARK BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 11TH**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Bridget Larson at 7:00 a.m.

Members present: Bridget Fowler, Ryan Wersal, Jeremy Horkey, and Joan Back

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

Guests: Beth Rohrich

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was provided.

Business

1. Welcome to New Park Board Member Ryan Wersal

- Ryan Wersal provided his background and stated he is a professor at MSU in biology and his interest in serving on the park board includes the desire to make the pond in the Lake Eagle Park as healthy as possible. He also stated his family's passion is archery.

2. Eagle Heights Subdivision

a. Community Survey

- Discussion included the need to survey the residents of Eagle Height development to determine their desires and expectations for a citywide park in that development and to gauge what they envision for park equipment if a park is constructed. If park is desired, then the entire community needs to be surveyed.

b. Update on Lot Purchase

- A purchase agreement has been signed with the closing scheduled for June 30, 2019. Purchase price for lot is \$44,900. Discussion included the cost of the land could be used for improvements to existing parks.

c. General Discussion

- Jeremy Horkey stated he knows of a potential donor interested in donating specifically for park needs who would like to see equipment and cost before making donation.
- Develop long- and short-term strategic planning for all park development and maintenance, assess each park for current needs.
- The possibility of partnering with Pepsi to help fund park improvements was discussed; Pepsi's logo could replace Coke's logo on the scoreboard. MAYBA also has funds available for such improvements.
- The Park Board can review the plan MSU students compiled. A digital document will be emailed to park board members.
- Beth Rohich, a resident of the Eagle Height's subdivision, stated there are many children in the development and that a park in the neighborhood would be good, but there are also negatives to having a park such as traffic and parking and that she would like to make sure that all residents understand the pros and cons prior to the development of a park. There is concern that some residents may be under the impression that a park in this development would be solely for the developments use. It would be a community wide park if installed.

3. Mission Mankato Service Request

- Epiphany Church's pastor has contacted the city stating area churches are planning a mission trip and that youth attending have been asked to complete service projects and is wondering if there are any service projects the youth could assist the city with on July 29-31.
- Possible areas identified included spreading wood chips in adventure park and painting of hockey rink.

4. Rec on the GO! Kickoff Event at Lake Eagle Park: June 19th

- The Park Board was asked to help serve food at this event which runs from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

5. Outdoor Movie: September 6th at Eagle Lake Elementary

- Park Board member were asked to be aware of the date of this event.

6. Other Items Discussed

- The possibility of installing colored lights on with the fountain in Lake Eagle Park.
- Putting more lights along the path.
- Utilizing the hill behind the baseball field to construct a terraced earth seating area.
- Make playground equipment handicap accessible for adaptive equipment such as wheelchairs/scooters.