

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission for the City of Mayer, Minnesota was held on September 12th, 2023 at 6:30pm in the City Council Chambers.

Members: Mike Wegner, Ryan Kusske, Derek Eley

Absent: Melissa Gomes, Eric Vogel

Visitors: Nicholas Johnson, City Administrator
Amy Dimmler, Watertown-Mayer Community Education
Tracey Taylor, Watertown-Mayer Community Education

The meeting was called to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The agenda was reviewed. A request was made to add Music in the Park event setup to the agenda. A motion was made by Kusske and seconded by Eley to approve the agenda with the addition. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The consent agenda was reviewed. A motion was made by Kusske and seconded by Eley to approve the consent agenda. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Consent Agenda:

1. Consider Approval of August 8th, 2023 Minutes

Amy Dimmler and the Park Board discussed the opportunities for pickleball in the Community Center gym space. Non-Council meeting Monday evenings and Wednesday evenings would be good candidates for pickleball. The space could be utilized on weekends as long as no events were scheduled. Watertown-Mayer Community Education would be willing to stripe the pickleball lines in the gym space. Johnson said the City would purchase the nets and equipment as they could be used during open gym. The Park Board felt satisfied scheduling could be worked out to provide space. Amy Dimmler will coordinate with Janell Gildemeister on it.

The Park Board discussed open gym. Johnson suggested the best hours for open gym would be 10:30am to 5:00pm or 5:30pm, Monday through Thursday, during the winter months (October through April). The card players use the space from 8:00am to 10:00am on those days and the evenings are booked up with Watertown-Mayer athletics and soon-to-be pickleball. The non-winter months tend to be more open as Watertown-Mayer athletics no longer use it. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday are typically held for rentals. However, if the Community Center isn't rented for the upcoming weekend the City could post "pop-up open gym" weekend hours as available. Johnson would put together a schedule for consideration.

The Park Board discussed where Music in the Park vendors would be set up. The Baseball Club cannot do beer sales this year. The consensus was to pull that from the flyer and continue on.

The Park Board discussed progress on various projects around the community.

A motion was made by Kusske and seconded by Eley to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

City Administrator