

CITY OF MAYER
REGULAR MEETING – PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
JANUARY 14, 2020 @ 6:30 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Those present were Park Commissioners, Brian Schaeppi, Mike Wegner, Nikki McNeilly and Melissa Gomes. Also present was City Administrator, Margaret McCallum and Jason Hilgers, Public Works.

Absent: Troy Congdon

Also present: None.

2. Approve Agenda

Schaeppi moved to approve the agenda as presented. Gomes Seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

3. Minutes

December 10, 2019 Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

McNeilly moved to approve the December 10, 2019 Park and Recreation Commission Minutes. Gomes seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

4. Business

A. Discovery Park Play Equipment

McCallum presented two concept plans for the Discovery Park playground. She highlighted that both concept plans have a small children area, an older child play area and swings.

The Commission liked that small child play area and found it unique and what they envisioned. The Commission liked both of the older child play concepts, preferring slightly the concept with ropes courses, etc. over the traditional playground.

Gomes asked if additional options could be presented for the swings area.

McNeilly discussed presenting the concepts at the February open house event. She stated that it would be beneficial to ask residents if they like a more traditional playground or a unique playground. She agreed to bring some extra options for the swing area. McNeilly suggested that

the city have large printouts of the concept plans for residents to look at. She asked if the City could provide stickers for residents to place on the concept plan they like best.

The Commission discussed the color of the playground. McCallum informed that there were color combinations within the packet to choose from. The Commission agreed to more earth toned colors for the park but did not decide on a final colors at this time.

B. Baseball Batting Cage

McCallum and Hilgers presented an aerial photograph of the baseball field and a new desired location for the batting cage. They informed that the initial decided location was not ideal because trees would have to be moved and it would clutter the area and cause possible congestion.

The Commission agreed to the new location.

Hilgers explained that the batting cage would be 80 feet long by 20 feet wide with 6 inches of lime.

McCallum presented and suggested the purchasing of a Pro Tunnel Frame with three sections for an estimated cost of \$2,629.99. In addition, staff recommended the Pro Series Tunnel netting for an estimated \$1,539.99. Staff recommended the thicker outdoor netting over the thinner indoor/outdoor netting. The reasoning being that the thicker net could withstand the natural elements more so than the thinner net.

Staff projected the cost to be under \$10,000.00, but recommended to the Commission budgeted for at least \$10,000.00 for all equipment, lime, concrete, etc.

McNeilly moved to recommend to Council purchasing of the batting cage equipment, lime and concrete for the batting cage project, not to exceed \$10,000.00. Gomes seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

C. Hockey Nets

The Commission discussed purchasing hockey nets for the ice rink.

Hilgers informed that the Public Works Department could construct some hockey nets for the ice rink. The Commission agreed to allow the Public Works Department to construct the hockey nets.

5. Staff Updates

A. Ice Skating Rink – Update

McCallum said that the rink is open and that people have been skating on it. She informed that staff continues to monitor the rink and flood as needed.

B. Memorial Benches

McCallum informed that the purchasing of memorial benches was highlighted in the January Park and Recreation Newsletter. She stated that the City would promote it on social media as well.

C. Adopt a Park Program

McCallum stated that the Adopt a Park Program was also highlighted in the January newsletter and will also be promoted on social media.

D. Skate Park Equipment

McCallum informed that continues review application materials for grants for the Skate Park Equipment.

E. Archery Range and Dog Park

McCallum informed that these are topics that the Commission will continue to discuss.

McCallum said that she would bring the compost site to the City Council at the January work session for general discussion on the site and what the future goals are for the site and if archery would make sense there

6. Commissioner Reports/Comments

None.

7. Adjournment

McNeilly moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Gomes seconded. Motion passed 4-0.