

SERGEANT BLUFF, IOWA
Parks & Rec Board Meeting Minutes

Fireside Room, 901 Topaz Drive
August 18, 2021 @ 5:30 pm

Meeting called to order at 5:32 pm

ATTENDING WERE:

Present: Kirk Moriarty, Neil Stockfleth, Colin Tague, Lisa Ryan, Cyndi Nelson

Absent: Andrea Johnson, City Council Member

Others attending: Lexi Doletina, Asst. Parks & Recreation Director
Carol Clark, City Council Member

OPEN DISCUSSION

Moriarty stated he had a bunch. He started off with commending Lexi on running Pioneer Valley Days pretty much by herself and only being here for six months. He also said he was approached and asked to possibly host a Future's Baseball Tournament next summer in Sergeant Bluff. The Guy who approached him was going to come tonight, but got stuck at work. Moriarty explained more about the tournament and there was discussion about Sgt. Bluff's fields not being great and hosting events to maybe help fund bettering the fields. Last thing Moriarty had was when he was playing bags Friday Night on the NW Field and looking at the scoreboard and the things orange from the iron water from the sprinklers. Discussion was had about the scoreboards, machines being broken in the IBF building, and having a sheet in the IBF building to report issues. Lexi stated she would start getting work orders into Jessie at Public Works to start getting things fixed. There was discussion about rental prices. Tague was asked about the Parks and Rec Board/group taking over the football program for 6th grade. Discussion was had over registrations being low due to club sports or commercial sports taking over recreation leagues. Lexi did state that the city doesn't want to take on tackle football due to it may be a liability to the city. Discussion was had over that and having to have manpower to run a program like that. Stockfleth asked for an update on where we were at with hiring a director. Carol explained the process and that we had it narrowed down to 3 candidates and 2 of them were top notch. Carol explained that neither lived in town and that they would have 12 months to get residency in Sergeant Bluff.

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Moriarty, seconded by Ryan to approve the agenda.
All ayes, motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion was made by Ryan, seconded by Tague to approve the minutes of May 19, 2021 meeting.
All ayes, motion carried.

REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT

Decided to wait to discuss this until the new director comes in.

PARKS

Discussion was had about the pop-up parks and they were surprised with the turnout. Discussion was had about Jewel Park and how no one knows where Jewel Park is. Discussion was had about fixing Jewel Park and Stockfleth also mentioned about having a pop-up park in each new development. So, kids don't have to worry about crossing the busy street to get to the parks. More discussion was had about Public Works being the ones to fix the Parks equipment and should not be done by the director.

COMMUNITY CENTER

Moriarty asked how Summer Adventure Camp had gone and Lexi shared that it went really well. Had great feedback and already lots of changes they want to make for next year to make it better. Discussed fieldtrips a little bit and pricing more as well. Also discussed extending Summer Adventure Camp hours. They discussed waiting on the PA System for now.

POOL

Lexi shared a message from Alex, the pool manager, and stated that Alex said the pool has been great! The staff have been working hard, lots of compliments on how clean it is, lots of people participating in lap swim, water aerobics and talked about the hours changing to afterschool hours and weekends. Discussion was had about some staff being disrespectful and paying attention to who they hire next year. Lots of compliments that the Sgt. Bluff pool is still open and every other pool is already closed. Moriarty stated that whoever ran the Facebook account this year did a great job! Lexi stated Alex ran it and gave a Shout out to Alex. Lexi stated that Alex is great and gives him a big shout out! Discussion was had about the leak in the pool and questions were had about the timeline of the construction to start to fix the pool. Stockfleth asked who the lead point on this project is and Carol stated Jason Kvidera and Aaron Lincoln. Neil stated he would like this board to be able to peak at the plan. Carol ended up calling Aaron so the parks board could be informed properly about what's going on with the pool. Aaron explained the situation and now waiting till we have a new director to move forward. Discussion was had about waiting for the new director and also saving money and doing it right the 1st time instead of just patching holes.

RECREATION

- A. . Disc Golf: Discussion was had about disc golf and how the sport is growing. Discussion was had about getting pads for the course so people don't slip and fall. Talked a little more about disc golf.
- B. Fall Programming: Numbers are very low this year from fall of 2019. Talked more about the fall sign ups for volleyball, flag football, and soccer.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Moriarty, seconded by Ryan to adjourn at 6:32 pm.
All ayes, motion carried.

Peyton Bainbridge, Secretary

Neil Stockfleth, Chair