

## CITY OF NEW CASTLE PARK BOARD MINUTES

AUGUST 5, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patty Broyles, Dave Nantz, Sandy Scott, and John Henderson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor York, Park Superintendent-Mike Bergum, Mayor's Assistant-Kendra Kennedy, and Bookkeeper-Brenda Grider

Mayor York opened this meeting at 5:30pm.

Mayor York asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the former meeting. John made a notation that Dave was noted as present and absent during July's meeting. Patty made a motion to accept the minutes from the former meeting with that correction. Second by John. Motion carried (4-0)

### **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

The board started the meeting off by stating their thanks in collaborating with local organizations and the great efforts being made. A difference is being made.

Mike gave an overview of the 2019 pool season. There was an increase in patrons and revenue for both the pool and concessions. The board thanked Mike and the lifeguards for a great season. Mike also noted the splash pad will be open until Labor Day. Discussion followed.

Norman Smith of Foam Rubber came before the board to give an overview of the USA Cycle event at Baker Park on July 27<sup>th</sup>. The board thanked Norman for making this event possible and for choosing Baker Park to hold the event. Discussion followed.

Patty noted that we are still in the running for the Stellar Honor. If awarded, the skatepark could be expanding 8,000 square feet. We will know if we are awarded Stellar in December.

Foursquare Church members, Randy Cox and Pastor Becker came before the board to share details of the clean-up event held at North Main Street Park. The church painted the equipment and updated the picnic tables with kids games. The board is very thankful for Foursquare Church and their generosity.

The donation for the Hankenhoff Shelter has been received through the Henry County Community Foundation Pass Through Fund. Location flags have been called in and construction will begin soon.

Mike noted he has 2200lbs of plastic caps to be turned in for the park benches.

The Cornhole stadium is open but we are still working on the final touches. The memory plaque has been ordered but will not be in until October.

At last month's meeting, Megan Duncan came before the board to propose having sign boards at the parks for children who cannot communicate what they need. The board agreed this would be a great idea and there will be a sign board placed at the Fun Park at Baker Park. Patty made a motion to proceed with this new addition. Second by Sandy. Motion carried (4-0)

Fall maintenance will begin at the parks in the coming months with removing dead trees and broken equipment.

Day of Caring will be September 6, 2019. We need to think about what projects we want to focus on in the parks.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor York thanked Mike and the park employees for a wonderful summer season for the parks and pool.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

None

#### **CITIZEN CONCERNS**

None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:25PM, NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 2019.