CITY OF NEW CASTLE PARK BOARD MINUTES JUNE 6, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patty Broyles, Dave Nantz, Sandy Scott

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor York, Park, and Mayor's Assistant Kendra Kennedy

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. Patty made a motion to accept the minutes from the former meeting. Second by Dave. Motion passed (3-0)

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Patty opened the meeting with a discussion regarding our parks need to be Safe and Welcoming. The rules of the park were read and asked that everyone please respect the Parks. Discussion was had regarding the incidents that occured at the Park and the pool on opening day. Mayor York stated the police have been patrolling the area and they are working on getting an Officer in the pool area all the time.

Patty stated that Baker Pool opened May 31st. Patty thanked everyone for making this opening a success. Attendance that day was close to 600 people.

Patty stated they have been working with Director Barker for phase II of the skate park and thanked him for helping with the surveying and saving some of the trees.

Patty thanked Superintendent Walker for getting the signs up on the new fitzgerald Trail and to Dave for bringing it to their attention.

The Little leaque Girls Softball Field had three day of rain and they have had to cancel eight games so far this season. They will be hosting the Little League State Tournament for the 10-12 year olds on July 9th and 10th, about 180 girls in Henry County are playing this year. Hopefully then shortly after this season renovations will start on the diamonds.

Patty stated there were some concerns about Lowe Park at the last council meeting and the Park employees have addressed some of those concerns. It was stated in the Council meeting that they could use ARP funds to put a parking lot right beside the shelter house to make it more accessible to the citizens.

Patty thanked Superintendent Bergum, Mayor York, Richard Williams, Josh Cooper, Superintendent Walker and the New Castle Police Department for also working so hard to make our Parks Safe and welcoming.

Patty congratulated some Park family members on their graduates for this year. Mike Bergum has Ellen and Dillon, Sandy Scott has Dawson and Josh Cooper has Eli. Best wishes to all of them. Also good luck to the boys baseball team on their semi state tounament and the Boys State Golf Tournament.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor stated that they are working on getting more of a police presence around Baker Park and will be looking into getting some new cameras in the area also.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

NONE

CITIZEN CONCERNS

Scott Frost and Carrie Barrett appeared before the Board to discuss all the things that will gbe going on in the Baker Park area on June 25th for the Bicentennial celebration. They asked that everyone sign up for the Knockout Tournament and help to break the world record, and stated that you could show up and sign up. You do not have to pre-register and it is free to participants. There will be a car show in the Park hosted by the New Castle Broad Street Cruise In. Bands will be on Main Street with vendors and food trucks.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:32 PM, NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 5, 2022.