CITY OF NEW CASTLE PARK BOARD MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Greg York, Park Superintendent Mike Bergum, and Mayor's Assistant

Kendra Kennedy

Patty opened this meeting at 5:30pm.

Patty stated August meeting minutes will be approved at the October meeting when the full board can vote to approve them.

NEW BUSINESS

Patty began the meeting with noting that the 2024 shelter rental season has gone well with the increase of the rentals to \$50.00. Reservations for the 2025 season will begin November 12^{th.}

Discussion was held over the Aquatic Center pool parties. Currently, parties are Monday and Thursday in June and July. Rates are \$150 for 1-50 people, \$225 for 51-100 people, and \$300 for 101-150 people. The board agreed it was time to raise rates for the 2025 season. The new rates will be \$200 for 1-150 people and \$300 for 150 people +. Patty made a motion to approve. Second by Dave. Motion carried 3-0.

Patty noted to the board that budget talks for the park and pool will be discussed at the October meeting. Mike and Clerk Treasurer, Ashley, need to sit down and go over the proposed 2025 budget. Also, discussions over Armory rental increases will be discussed then, as well.

The Parks and Recreation made \$1,200 from the contract with Tropical Shaved Ice. This partnership was great for the pool season as it allowed outside visitors to buy shaved ice as well as the pool and concessions staff were able to get their shaved ice for free.

The new security cameras from ASI are up and running at Baker Park and the Skate Park. The security enhancement makes our patrons feel safer and more welcomed.

MAYOR'S REPORT

No Report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

No Report

CITIZEN CONCERNS

Travis Weik of the Courier Times stated that the Pickleball Courts are a great amenity and that a light is out on the North side of the court. Mike Bergum noted he is aware of this and that it was a solar light. We are testing different lights to see what the need for that area is.

Scott Frost asked the board if the pump track at the Skate Park is working. Mike stated that he has talked with Poynter Brothers and it is functioning as it should.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:05PM, NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 7, 2024.