

## **CITY OF NEW CASTLE PARK BOARD MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 7, 2024**

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

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

Patty opened this meeting at 5:30pm.

Patty moved to approve the minutes from the former meeting. Second by Dave. Motion carried 4-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Patty began the meeting with noting the budget for 2025. Mike stated that he met with the Clerk-Treasurer and there may be a few corrections needed. Mayor York stated that the budget and salaries are being introduced at the council meeting following this meeting as first reading and public hearing. There will be several changes that need to be made.

Mayor York stated that Mike along with his park employees and other employees will be seeing a 5% raise for 2025. The board agreed Mike and the Parks and Recreation deserve this increase in wages.

Discussion was held over the Armory and the usage along with fees. The board agreed at some point an increase in fees for larger events, such as weddings, events that charge admission, etc. need to be looked at.

Mike stated that the current \$50,000 in bond funds are still being used and will until the end of this calendar year.

Improvements at Baker Park have occurred over the last several weeks. New benches along with the skate park deck have been painted. There was a major storm a few weeks ago that caused 6 large trees to come down in Baker Park. The Parks and Recreation have worked to get everything cleaned up. The new security cameras at Baker Park and the Skate Park are working great, also.

Patty noted that the board and Parks and Recreation have no affiliation with the I. Ave Water Tower event this coming Friday but wish them the best with their Halloween event.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

No Report

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

No Report

**CITIZEN CONCERNS**

No Report

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:50PM, NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 4, 2024.