

CITY OF NEW CASTLE PARK BOARD MINUTES

MARCH 4, 2019

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Henderson

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

Mayor Greg 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 carried (3-0)

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

The board received a copy of the park budget for the month. There has not been a change except for payroll and utilities.

Mike noted the lifeguard certification classes have went well. We have one class left that will begin on April 28th. To date, we have 25 certified lifeguards. Once the last class is finished, we will have a total of 34 new certified lifeguards to begin the Summer season at the Aquatic Center. We will have over 40 lifeguards with the lifeguards returning from last year. The board again thanked Mike for his efforts and the Henry County Community Foundation for this grant opportunity.

Mike also noted that the board and parks department are working on a tree campaign to replace and plant new trees that were removed at Osborne Park last year. The board has applied for a grant from the Henry County Community Foundation to help fund the new trees. We may have a second source of funding if the HCCF Grant does not work out. April 26th is Arbor Day and it is our hopes to have 40+ new trees planted.

Patty stated the 5 year plan needs to be revised and be up to date where the park is as of now and what our future needs are. After much discussion, the board agreed to table the 5 year plan revision and revisit at April's meeting.

We are continuing to collect caps until June 1st. July 1st we will place orders for park benches.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor York noted the City Easter Egg Hunt for 2019 would be Saturday, April 20th at the New Castle High School parking lot as normal. The Mayor suggested to the board to have a "Workday" the weekend before the Egg Hunt to put up new swings and spruce the parks up before opening for the 2019 season. The Mayor and board agreed to have a Workday on Saturday, April 13th at 9:00am. There will be local church's helping also.

Mayor York also stated a local group would like to use the pool parking lot to host a remote control car competition in April and June. The board agreed to allow this to happen and are thankful our Parks and Pool is an attraction for events such as this.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

None

CITIZEN CONCERNS

None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:05PM, NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 1, 2019.