

**CITY OF ISANTI
PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
May 28, 2019
City Council Chambers**

1. Meeting Opening.

A. Call to Order.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Members Present: James Witte, Aaron Zdon, and Mayor Johnson

Staff Present: Jenny Garvey, Parks, Recreation and Culture Manager,

D. Agenda Modifications

Zdon asked if there were any agenda modifications, no modifications, Motion by Witte, seconded by Mayor Johnson; all in favor; the motion passed.

2. Approval of Minutes from April 23, 2019, Parks, Recreation, and Culture Board Meeting

Motion by Witte and second by Mayor Johnson; all in favor. Minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Unity Park Proposal

Garvey reported that Unity Park had previous approval of adding trees to the parking lot edge along the ballfield to assist with cars not parking on the grass. Garvey asked the board to re-examine that option and shared a new option that staff found that would entail less maintenance and upkeep than the tree option would. Garvey proposed to the board the rock edge option and provided a picture of the idea, Garvey stated that planting young trees could be damaged and pruning would be an item that would be necessary for years to come. The rock edge option fits within the budget. Zdon, Witte and Mayor Johnson agreed that this was a nice option and less maintenance was needed. Johnson motioned that we amend the proposal to install trees at Unity park and change the proposal to install the rock/boulder edge along the parking lot, second by Witte; the motion passed.

4. Park Visit Summary

Garvey reviewed the list compiled of what projects and maintenance items were from the tours the board members took and reported at the April 23 meeting. .

5. Painting Plow Blades

Garvey reported that four local schools took place in this project and noted that within the packet are two pictures of ones that are being worked on and that the blades will be picked up in the next couple of weeks and the finished blades will be on display at Celebrate Isanti Day, August 17th.

6. Parks Update

Garvey reviewed that the Farmers Market will be Fridays May 31 –Sept 21 2-6pm and that PW was able to get the curb cut for easier access for vendors. Garvey also reviewed that the Passports to parks event will be back this summer with a kick off event June 20th at Bluebird park. Garvey further reviewed that the street dances will be June 22 – Hitchville, July 20 – Audio Circus and Aug 17 – Good for Gary and vendors are already signing up and our Platinum sponsors this year are Kwik Trip and Dahlheimer Distributing. Garvey also mentioned that the Community Gardens are full and opened on May 11 and staff is working on adding a few more plots as interest is there. The dog park is open and the grand opening will be held Wed June 12 at 11am, the bench is in the park and signs will be going up. Johnson asked if another bench was going to be added and Zdon also questioned this and said he has heard from the public if another one was going to be added. Garvey stated she had thought somewhere it was in her information that one was going to be donated, but she would look into it and see and then as budget allows to also add other amenities to the park. Garvey finished with that Bluebird park will be getting a new paint job on the larger playground equipment and this is anticipated to be closed from July 29-Aug 9.

7. Adjournment

Motion by Witte, second by Mayor Johnson to adjourn the April 23, 2019 meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Board. Motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 PM

Dated at Isanti, Minnesota this 28th day of May, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenny Garvey
Parks, Recreation and Culture Manager