

Seymour Parks & Recreation Department
Board Minutes
November 14th, 2022

Seymour Parks & Recreation Board met at Seymour City Hall on Monday, November 14th, at 4 pm. Members in attendance were Monica Riley, Art Juergens, Kendra Zumhingst, Bethany Rust and Tim Ferret. Members of the Parks Department present were Stacy Findley, Tracey Cole, Chad Keithley, Kerry Bevers, and Allycen Wheeler. Mayor Matt Nicholson and January Rutherford were also in attendance. From the Tribune, Zach Spicer attended.

Monica called the meeting to order. A motion to approve the October minutes was made by Tim and seconded by Kendra. A motion to approve the September claims was made by Kendra and seconded by Bethany.

Kendra made a motion to approve both the 502 and 506-9 September balances. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried for approval of both funds.

Updates:

- Stacy discussed how we purchased 15 trees from Schneider Nursery Inc. and that we planted them on November 10th at Kasting Park. She stated that these trees were taken from the funds we already had available to us in our yearly budget. She said that the trees we will be purchasing in December and this up-and-coming spring for Freeman Field Recreational Area will be financed through the Duke grant.
- Stacy discussed the Parks and Recreation Department's project list for 2023.
- Stacy requested there be some changes made in the ball diamond rental agreement for 2023; changes have not been made since 2019. She is asking for regulations to be revised as follows: Minimum booking fee of \$250.00, no overnight camping, and no smoking or vaping when events are held with 50 or more people. Bethany motioned to move forward with the proposal and Kendra seconded it. Motion carried.
- Stacy discussed that Chris Boggs is asking for a raise in her income. With the 5% raise in 2023, she will be making \$15.45 an hour; Chris is requesting \$18.00 an hour. Stacy is asking for a salary position to be made for Chris in our yearly budget, she is waiting to hear from Chris with her agreeing amount and we will rediscuss.

Program/Leagues Update:

Winter League Women's/Co-ed Volleyball – Games have started

Christmas at Crossroads – December 3rd, at Crossroads Park from 6p-8p, fireworks at 7p.

Mixology-Making Spirits Brighter will be on Dec. 8th at Rails Craft Brew and Eatery from 6p-8p. The cost will be \$30.00 per person.

Parents Night Out – December 9th, at the Community Center from 4p-8:30p. The cost will be \$10.00 per child.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town –

- December 10th, at Crossroads Park from 11a-1p
- December 17th, at Crossroads Park from 6:30p-8:30p
- December 23rd, at Crossroads Park from 11a-1p

Cookies with Santa – December 13th, at the Community Center starting at 5:30p

Holiday Lights Parade – December 17th, starting time is 5:30p, we currently have 7 individuals/organizations registered as of 11/14/2022.

Park Incidents: BOW approved the reimbursement on the sewer bill from the restroom leak in the women's bathroom at Freeman Field Recreational Area in the amount of \$1,024.61.

Reservation Requests: None presented

Miscellaneous Business:

- Starting in December we will be trying a new format for our board agenda. We are hoping to add hyperlinks on the topics of discussion to make the meeting flow more efficiently, as well as conserve paper.

Kendra made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bethany seconded the motion. Motion carried to adjourn.

The next Parks Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 12th, at 4:00pm.