Buffalo Park Board Minutes

May 19, 2021

Meeting was called to order by Mari at 6:35pm.

Present: Mari, Tracie, Becca

\*This meeting was mainly to get together and start the year out, and go over what we initiated over the winter, and what we want to see done for the upcoming season. It was more of an “informational” meeting. Any voting that must be done, Mari will send out via text, or call a special meeting.

**FINANCIAL:**

**\*Hours for Kal/Connie and Ron** – No hours for Ron yet. Kal and Connie submitted $172.50.

**\*Rylee** – She will be back to water and mow the end of May.

 - Something to keep in mind – for future – Bridger Kasowski for back-up mowing. (Should we ever lose Rylee)

**\*Kayla** – Sprayed the fields for dandelions, and will submit her bill ($25/hour plus chemical) to Harmony

**\*New Water Heater** – During Spring Clean-up, Tracie and Mari noticed some water on the outside/backside of the

shack. Turns out that the water heater rusted out on the bottom. Tim Freuh came and replaced it, as it was

probably 15-20 years old.

\***Current Park Board balance as of 5/4/21 $19,604.40.** We received $5,284.62 in April of this year, for our 1st quarter

levy funds, so this helped quite a bit.

**\*Year to Date Transactions** – Mari emailed this out prior to the meeting. This is just for your review.

**\*2022 Budget** – Harmony has provided us with the projected 2022 Budget for approval. This is not due until August,

however, with Summer being a busy one, she wanted to get it out for review now, in case any changes needed to be made. Mari will forward this to everyone.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**\*Portable/Foldable Picnic Tables** – We sold the 4 heavy ones for $120. We currently have 1 at the shack and are

looking at buying 4 more, however inventory everywhere is so low.

**\*Another Bleacher** – Kayla offered up a suggestion of getting one more bleacher for the away team, on the east ball

field. I think we paid about $1500 each for the metal ones we have now. I will see if we could even get one in,

and then we can vote if this is something we would like to do.

**\*Air Conditioner for Shack** – I reached out to Aaron Haseleu and he said that he would meet me (Mari) up there one

night and look to see if this is a possibility. Chuck said that he may have an air conditioner for us. He will check on it and let us know.

**\*Shuffle Off to Buffalo** – July 17th. This is still a go, but I think more of a piece together thing this year. Page Archery is

available that day and will come and do the Fun Shoot / Air Rifle for us. (1-3:30pm) We would then pay them

a donation. Location is yet to be determined – closer up towards Main Street?

**\*Art in the Park** – An idea that Tracie came up with, to promote local businesses, yet something for the community and

 kids to do and have fun with this summer. Marsha Kasowski and acrylic painting – with a meal? Roxy Kasowski

 and tie-dye t-shirts with Arrow Apparel. Rodney Hogan and the Coffee Bar – hold an event out there?

**\*TC Swimming Lessons** – Mari reached out to Kristi Holveson regarding Summer swimming lessons, and Kristi said that

 lessons this year is May 31 – Jun 11, and they have over 40 kids. (Years past - $100 donation for treats.)

**\*Open Up Bathrooms** – Now that Spring / Summer is here, school is out, and baseball has started, we will go ahead

 and open up the bathrooms. We will just have to make sure that we consistently check the bathrooms and

 make sure that they’re stocked and cleaned.

**\*Community Wide Garage Sale** – There apparently is community interest in this, and we thought that maybe the

 morning of Shuffle Off to Buffalo would be a good date to have it as folks will be in town. Mari will ask in FB

 Messenger and ask Harmony to post on the website if this date will work for others. We could do a map, and

 advertise, but that’s our extent. (9am – 2pm maybe.) We would need at least 5 interested to have it.

**THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND:**

* June – Start movie nights? New movie screen may help // Start Art in the Park?
* July – Start talking about produce market
* Aug – Pinwheel Project
* Sept – Bingo in the Park again?
* Oct – Boo Baskets
* Nov - ??
* Dec – Bell Ringing // Other Project??

**COMPLETED PROJECTS:**

* Easter Egg Baskets – We received great feedback on these, as far as the catering to age groups.

I really think people look forward to this!

* May Day Baskets (120 made for $59.34)

**PENDING / ONGOING PROJECTS:**

\***Message board** **at RV Park** – Chuck said that he brought this up at the City Council meeting, and Jim said that it should

it should get done very soon.

**\*Banners on Main Street –** Mari will really try to get with Ron to see how the banners would fit with the existing

 brackets. At the very least, we could maybe get the 3 that we have up.

**\*Yard of the Month** – Pick a winner end of next week (Memorial Day Weekend.) / Other Winner Alternatives?

 Mayor’s Choice? Silent Voter? Have previous month winner pick, etc…. Have someone other than the board

 pick.

**\*Splash Pad** – A community member has apparently asked if we had considered putting in a Splash Pad. We talked

 about this some more, and unfortunately, we just can’t do that at this time, for the following reasons: cost of

 equipment, no land to put it, pressure of water, maintenance, cost of materials right now, liability, etc…..

ANNOUNCEMENT:

* Next meeting – Wednesday June 16th, 2021 6:30pm

ADJOURNMENT - 7:45pm