

**CITY OF RED BUD
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 2024**

Members present: Jim Birke, Tim Fahey, Ryan Koudela, Brad Mayberry, Deb Opel, Terri Reed, and Winnie Rehmer

Members absent: Kyle Herriman, Wil Krick

Others Present: Jill Landgraf

The meeting was called to order by Tim Fahey at Red Bud City Hall.

The minutes of the September Meeting were approved as corrected.

Jill Landgraf was in attendance to share what is going on in the city.

- The City website is being redesigned. She asked the board if the city should add the Exercise Pad to the reservation list. It was decided that the Exercise Pad should be added to the list. If person hosting is not charging participants a fee then there would be no charge for reserving, but if person hosting is charging a fee to the participants then the host will be charged the same fee as a small pavilion. Host will need liability insurance.
- ***Winnie made a motion to accept this idea, seconded by Deb. Motion carried unanimously.***
- Jill asked about a policy that if the pool was rented for a birthday party or other function, could we add Patz Pavilion for an extension. City is wanting to add Sunday pool parties.
- ***Jim made a motion to accept this idea. Ryan seconded. Motion carried unanimously***
- Jill also led a discussion about the pool and the YMCA. The YMCA will no longer work with the soda ash or adjusting the chlorine. The YMCA wants the city to install a new chlorine system.
- Jill shared what is going on with the pool. Mayor Harbaugh and other city officials made a Pool action items list. City received several bids to search for answers of what's wrong with the pool. Those bids included a bid from Landmark Aquatic who sent an estimate of services to provide an assessment of the current state of the pool at a cost of \$4900.00. Josh Eckart-Superintendent also received a quote from SCi engineering INC to do a GPR survey.
Committee suggested to the City Council to use Landmark and SCI to investigate the problems.

DOG PARK

- Ultra Play is holding a Jukebox Bingo fundraiser on November 16th to help defray city costs of building the Dog Park. Was suggested members of the Parks and Recreation Committee try to attend or donate to the affair.

SPLASH PAD

- Is winterized.
- It was suggested we add small plaques to the benches and trash cans to recognize the City of Red Bud Community Foundation for their generous donation.

POOL

- Received an email from Josh about the pool and our questions. He stated
 1. The city is working on several items for the pool. The City is gathering information/proposals/cost estimates/etc. to present at the upcoming November committee meetings. The Darrell Salger work was put on hold until some of the other items are addressed, especially the roof.
 2. The awnings will be taken down upon completion of winterizing everything. The city does plan on pressure washing the front awning.
- The city received the final bill from the YMCA. The YMCA's bill for running the pool in 2024 was \$33,9978.
- Discussed the possibility of the City managing the pool in 2025.

LINCOLN PARK

- Pickleball wind screens will need to be taken down soon.
- In Josh's email, he also reported that the City has been watering the trees. He stated that some of the bladders developed some leaks, some were replaced, and some have held up while others were leaking again. The city just didn't want to keep spending money on replacing the bladders since we were having continued problems with them.
- He also reported the city is still planning on getting the bench pads poured by the flagpole. The quantity of concrete needed would have cost extra since we would not have met the minimum load size. We have some other concrete work to complete, and we are planning on combining projects.

MUSKET FIELD

- Ryan is picking out replacement windows.

RATZ PARK

- As per email, Josh will work on the picnic table order for this budget cycle.
- As for the beam in Bum's Jungle, Josh stated that it will need to be removed but replacing it could be setting up the City for additional safety liability. Building a new walkway/bridge could possibly be a good project for an Eagle Scout. (Committee has been told no Eagle Scouts for a few years)
- bladders for trees-same as Lincoln Park.
- At our last meeting Winnie presented written bids from Total Eclipse for a new sign at the entrance to Ratz Park. **Winnie made a motion to accept #2 font and first bid of \$120.00. Deb seconded. Motion carried.** Old signs to be taken off by the city before new ones are installed. **DID THE CITY SEE THIS MOTION**
- Josh also stated that due to a recommendation by Davey Tree to have some trees removed due to safety hazards, no new trees will be planted this year as the money in the budget will be used for removals. He has already talked to Davey Tree about this.
- Work day went well. Six Beta Club members and six FFA members were there to help as well as some parents. Deb and Tim report that all the kids worked hard. All white posts along the drive were painted, parking blocks were all painted and the Community Garden boxes were sealed.

SPORTS COMPLEX

- nothing to report

COMMUNITY GARDEN

- Storage shed was rotting. Tim and Jim repaired or replaced the rotting parts (roof, soffits, and fascia boards)
- Committee would like four more boxes to be built before Spring 2025.

RED BUD CHAMBER

- Brad reported that Chamber's movie night on October 18 at Lincoln Park with SWIC holding their Trunk or Treat the same night went well.

OTHER BUSINESS

- ***NO DECEMBER MEETING***

NEXT REGULAR MEETING January 8th, 2025 at 6:00 at City Hall

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Reed, Secretary