

Pendleton Park Board Meeting Minutes
May 26, 2021

I. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Park Board President Bryan Williams. Additional board members present: Jen Roberts, Brian Slick, Laretta Gray, Steve Wills. Also attending were Park Board attorney Bill Davisson, Park Director Aaron Burris, Todd Miller, Scott Davis and Joe Noel

II. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve April 28th meeting minutes made by Laretta Gray, 2nd Brian Slick. April meeting minutes were approved.

III. Public Comments

a. No Comments.

IV. Sahm's Smokehouse Update

a. No representation from Sahm's.

V. Sports Complex Update

a. Todd Miller reported the following.

1) The sports complex is experiencing a tremendous attendance this year which is a good problem to have. PJB's season is off and running and going very well. Baseball tournaments will begin in the June with most of them using Diamond 6.

2) The football building is underway; they are still awaiting some material before things can really take off.

3) Field 10 is next up on the project list, we are having a hard time getting grass established so we will do some modifications (aerification, fertilizing and watering)

4) Brian Slick asked when the contracts for sports leagues will be coming in? Todd Miller responded that he expects them all to in before the middle of June. The one outlier may be the payment from the school since they must get school board approval.

VI. Golf Course Report

a. Scott Davis reported the following.

1) The golf course has been busy this year, we are up over \$50,000 from where we were last year. A large part of that difference is because the golf course was closed due to COVID restrictions for the early part of the 2020 season.

2)The golf course is in great shape, and everyone has been very appreciative of that.

3)The POS system that we are currently using will be going away after this month, it had nothing to do with the actual system it was all about the credit card processing. We investigated using their system until we found another option, but in order to do that we would have had to enter a 3-year agreement and that was not an option we felt was best moving forward. Staff will have a little extra work to make up for this change, but we will make it work.

4)The new pump should be set in the next couple days and everything should be operation within the week.

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VII. Pool Report

a. Aaron Burris reported the following.

- 1) We are now back on schedule to have the pool open on Friday May 28th. This past week we had the main motor for the pool pump go out. Bastin Logan was able to locate a motor in Chicago, have it shipped and installed within 4 days so that we could remain on track to open.
- 2) The chemical feed pump also went out which has since been replaced. We have already had our first two water tests sent to the county health department. The health department will be out to complete their inspection of the concession stand which will be the final step prior to opening.
- 3) Steve Wills asked if we would reconsider the free swims for this season as things begin opening. Aaron responded that in his opinion the free swims create more of a hassle that they are worth from a revenue generating perspective. Staff is looking for other more controlled events to host at the pool in the place of the free swims.
- 4) Mrs. Gray asked if in the past we had asked local business to sponsor the free swims to offset some of the costs associated with the free swims. Aaron responded that we have done this in the past but 60% of the sponsorship dollars went towards the dive into swim program with the remaining 40% going to the pool. Londa Bennett is currently seeking out sponsors for the dive into swim program.

VIII. New Business

a. No new business

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a. **Finance Committee** – Bran Slick reported.

- 1) Finances are in good shape. Our revenue is up 108% year over year and that does not account for the contract payments that will be coming in soon.

b. **Friends of Falls Park** - Joe Noel reported

- 1) The Friends of Falls Park is ready for another volunteer project. The group has about 12 reliable volunteers eager to serve.
- 2) The Farmers Market is going very well, everyone is enjoying the new set up and atmosphere that has been created. With the Kiwanis Kar Show also using the space at the front of the park some discussion has taken place about if we can accommodate both events. The Park Board has requested that we move the Kar Show to the circle area and Community Building as to not disrupt the flow of the Farmers Market.

X. Director of Maintenance Report

- 1) Still working

XI. Director Report

a. Aaron Burris reported the following.

- 1) Cold storage building block has been laid. Tom Wilson will be completing the work for the roof system, doors and electrical. We are hoping to have this wrapped up by the middle of July.

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2) IDEM has accepted our remediation plan for the area at the corner of East St. and Falls Park Dr. We will be clearing all the downed debris, re-grading any disturbed area so that water will flow naturally through the area as well as planting 30 swamp white oak trees throughout the area.

3) OW Krohn will be putting together some numbers for us to look at during next month's meeting. They will be looking at our current outstanding bond totals and giving us some options for future bonding capacity. Aaron did inform the board that we have only been paying interest on the most recent 2018 bond issue so the amount available may differ from the total of the 2011 bond that will be paid off next June.

4) During the storm water project that is taking place along Water St. BL Brown will be hauling some topsoil to the log cabin site. This topsoil will be used to re-grade the area between the cabin and the pond making for a better seating area. Once the grade work is complete, we will hydroseed the entire area in hopes of having grass established in the area quicker and making it a more desirable location for rent much sooner than with traditional seed and straw technique.

5) Bryan Williams asked where we stood on Impact Fees? Aaron responded that when he spoke last with Scott Reske the town is still awaiting the engineering results from Banning. Aaron also said that he would reach out to Baker Tilly and see if the park would be able to move forward without the town's engineering being completed for the park portion of the Impact Fees.

XII. Approval of claims from April 2021

The Register of Claims for April 2021 was circulated. Motion made by Jen Roberts, 2nd by Laretta Gray, approval by all. Members present did sign the April 2021 Register of Claims.

6:39 pm Meeting adjourned by President Bryan Williams.