

Park Board Meeting Minutes  
October 4, 2021

The October 4, 2021 Cascade Park Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Boffeli at 5:00 p.m. Board members Rausch, Sconsa and Orr were present. Orr attended via phone and Manternach was absent.

Motion by Rausch, second by Sconsa to approve the agenda – all ayes.

Motion by Rausch, second by Orr to approve the meeting minutes from September 7, 2021, – all ayes.

The Board reviewed the financial reports for the park and pool for August 2021. Motion by Sconsa, second by Rausch to approve the financial reports – all ayes.

Shirley Keyron McDermott requested to address the Park Board. She informed them about it being illegal to move water from one property to another property. She mentioned the increase in cement across from her house at the pool and then the concrete needed to install the playground equipment at the pool park. She suggested that the Park Board look at alternatives to concrete usage and placement going forward.

Jeff Boge & Scott Casey from the Cascade Youth Board was present to discuss gym usage. Additional people are using the gym now including volleyball, dance, etc. and it is getting hard to block practice time for the Youth Leagues. There are currently 8 youth teams. They are wanting to know if they can have 4-6pm Mondays, 5-9pm Tuesdays and 4-6pm Wednesdays every year. Some of the other activities can be held at the school gyms. This will also get added to the Gym rules and regulations under reservation of the gym. Motion by Rausch, second by Sconsa to allow the Cascade Youth basketball teams have the time slots they requested and to be placed on the calendar annually – all ayes.

The Park Board reviewed the most recent draft of the gazebo. Steve Knepper was present and discussed the idea of placing a concrete patio with 2 tables and black wrought iron railing along 2 sides where the current gazebo stands. The proposed gazebo might be better placed north of the stairs to the river. It might be better to have the gazebo narrower and longer so it doesn't stick out into the park as far. It was suggested from the Tri-County Historical Society to draft the gazebo closer to the original design and have it 6' cantilevered out over the river. It would need a new retaining wall and concrete deck and railing. The Army Corps will be consulted on the cantilever and this part will need to be engineered. The City Administrator will review with the appropriate persons. Motion by Rausch, second by Sconsa to table until the next meeting – all ayes.

The trees have been marked at the Community Park for removal and trimming. There are currently no funds budgeted for tree maintenance. The City Administrator suggested that we add a line item for tree maintenance and budget funds for this in the next budget. Motion by Sconsa, second by Rausch to budget for tree maintenance – all ayes.

Kiosks were purchased to be placed at the pool, both parks and City Hall. The pool one has been placed. Locations for the ones at the two parks were discussed. At the Community Park, it was suggested by the playground, but then it may create a safety concern for kids running around. A better location might be next to the sidewalk going up to the pavilion. At the Riverview Park, it was suggested to place it near the flower garden area and run it parallel to the sidewalk. Motion by Rausch, second by Sconsa to place the kiosks at the discussed locations – all ayes.

An update was provided regarding the pool. Ricchio is here this week finishing up on some warranty issues. Pool heater has been fixed and the rust on the deck will be removed.

With nothing further, motion by Rausch, second by Sconsa to adjourn the meeting at 5:50p.m. – all ayes.

Deanna McCusker, City Administrator