

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Hailey Parks & Lands Board
August 26th, 2020

Attending Board Members: Nancy Linscott, Bob Wiederrick, Lamar Waters, Darin Sales, Kitty Minor, Penny Thayer
Attending City Staff: Stephanie Cook
Council Liaison: n/a
Absent: n/a
Attending Public: Sarah Benson

Call to Order:

Call to order by Waters at 6:02pm.

Public Comment:

Since the meeting is at the Skate Park, Sarah Benson, with Champion Ice House, wanted update the Board regarding some of the latest happenings at the park. Benson informed the group that the police have been called recently, users have disregard for others, the scooter/skateboard problems that had been happening seem to be improving. Benson says use has increased this summer, there has been a lot of garbage lying around the park and vandalism. The Board discusses ideas to make the park fun and safe, including fencing, an authority figure to monitor park, more trash cans, entry fee, staff to monitor park, and increased police presence. Cook will learn what Mayor Burke's plan or priorities are for this park and report back at the September meeting.

Wiederrick gives Kiwanis Club update; Kiwanis would like to donate 2 blue park benches to the City to be installed by the City at Heagle Park. Sales moves to recommend the City accept the donation of 2 benches from the Kiwanis Club, Waters seconds; passes unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Wiederrick moves to approve minutes of the July 22nd, 2020, meeting, second by Minor, passes unanimously.

New Business:

None

Old Business:

Council approved the Keefer Park ballfield name change to be renamed the Lars Hovey Ballfield on October 10, 2019. Discussion of possible wording and designs of what the new signage may look like. Wiederrick said the signs at Wertheimer Park are sheet metal over tubing. Waters says the sign needs to be simple, with bats and ball to distinguish what type of field Lars Hovey Ballfield is, also reminding of the biography to be included. Sales reminds that we need longevity. Cook explains she has been unable to reach out to Windy City and start pursuing ideas for signage. Linscott agrees to help with this task between August and September meetings.

Board/Staff Reports:

The Parks and Lands Board requested to meet at the Skate Park to observe and become familiar with the park.

Discussion of Topics for Next Agenda:

Keefer ballfield renaming.

Hold September meeting at Heagle Park.

Adjourn:

Waters moves to adjourn the meeting at 7:19pm, second by Linscott; passes unanimously.