

Avilla Park Board Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2020

- Call to Order @ 7:30pm; In attendance: Jessica Balyeat, Nate Hicks, Megan Kline, Howard Eicher, and Ann Freeman
- Reading of previous meeting minutes: Ann Freeman; Approved and signed

OLD BUSINESS:

- Dog Park- no meetings have been held for Restore Avilla due to COVID-19 situation; surveying on the land is done; no further developments at this time
- 5 Year plan- work has started; Chris is starting to develop maps, Jessica and Nate to help with ensuring accuracy of land acquisition; Jessica has asked Bill Ley to hold off on deeding the land to Parks until we look over grant opportunities; two parcels totaling approximately 15 acres to be added
- Driveway damages- quote from Pulver Asphalt \$850; will file with Chief Deputy Arnett; voted and approved to pay the quote for repairs
- Water heater- discussed needing to add hot water to older bathrooms; Howard fixed water heater in upper concession area, needed a new element
- Tennis courts, basketball courts, horseshoe pits all open; opening day for playgrounds still undecided as Gov. Holcomb has elected to extend Stage 3 until July 4th; Community Center will continue to be limited to <100 people gatherings
- Need to add CDC signs to bathrooms; put into page protectors and tape inside doors
- 8 bulbs need replaced- Howard adding LEDs; bought bulbs by the box so we have extras when other burn out
- Parks & Community Center Reopening- added hold harmless clause to community center rental agreement; rented out every weekend the month of June; Jessica making a checklist for Roger to follow for sanitization; discussed having Open Door come to clean
 - No 4-H, No AA for the time being
 - Discussed no refunds for cancellations booked beyond 3/1/2020
- Story Walk by Avilla library- still awaiting proposal from Ruth Guthrie; discussed

having mulch or chipped trees dropped behind dumpster near trails that we could ask Chain 'o Lakes correctional to spread onto trails

NEW BUSINESS:

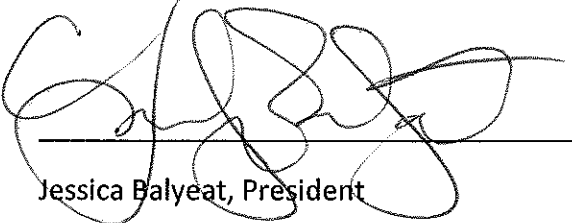
- Loss of Revenue, Rental Price inflation?- Town would have to apply for loss of revenue; discussed potential to paint Community Center or landscape; loss of revenue (\$400 in April; May's loss \$375); Board discussed raising cost of rental in response to increased cleaning costs, but chose not to at this time
- Park grant Operations Roundup- Noble County REMC (Kevin Driebelbis), grants available for up to \$5k to Parks and/or Avilla Ball; Discussed potentially using grant dollars to buy new tennis nets; Ren (Avilla Ball) may apply for funds to update/fix concession stand; grant cycles are once a quarter; give away \$15k each quarter; grant app due by July 1st
- Park clean up- Chain 'o Lakes correctional, Jessica to call to have them clean the trails
- At what date do we stop refunding cancellations of the community center?- If renter booked on 3/1/2020 or after
- Ren- ball tournaments scheduled for June 14th (Huntertown) and in July; discussed if Parks would allow the tournament organizers to charge a "gate" fee; Board agreed that as long as the position of the fee collector did not impede use of other parks equipment we were amendable to the collection of a gate fee for that specific tournament

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Idea to have Howard build a box for our camera equipment

NEXT MEETING: July 9th, 2020 due to Holiday

Signatures of Approval:



Jessica Balyeat, President

Absent

Nate Hicks, Vice-President



Ann Freeman, Secretary



Megan Kline, Board Member