

Tolono Park District Meeting:

June 13, 2022

Attendees: Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Scott Remole, Chris Grussing,

Meeting called to order: Brian Reedy

Last Month's Minutes- Motion to approve May meeting minutes- Scott Remole. Second by Brian Reedy. Motion carries 5-0. Motion to approve May executive session meeting minutes- Scott Remole. Second by Brian Reedy. Motion carries 5-0.

Treasurer's Report- Motion to approve outstanding checks- Scott. Seconded by Brian Reedy. Motion carries 5-0. Voting Yes- Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Scott Remole, Chris Grussing

Pam Steele, district treasurer had asked the district to consider putting water and power on auto pay.

Audience –

Daniel Grady, concerned citizen. Announced that his grandson had a baseball game, a golf cart driving in the park nearly hit his grandson, and also his son in law on separate occasions. Urged board to permanently ban motorized vehicles in park.

Pam Hill, Champaign. Wants to give money in honor of a family friend who passed away. Would like to plant tree in his honor. Wanted district to get quote for tree and plaque.

Bob Kolakowski, Park improvement committee. Would like standard set for memorials in parks. Mentioned application process to give some structure for allowing memorial grants. Mentioned trees specifically as it could overpopulate the park if not kept in check.

Jared Robbins, Tolono village board. Noted long term disrepair of playground equipment, notably broken anchors at East Side Park. Concerned that the problem has been lingering for multiple years and reported many times. Wants clarity on how community members can report safety issues in the park.

Old Business-

Intergovernmental agreement- Motion to approve final copy of intergovernmental agreement as presented to village- Brand Booher. Scott Remole seconded. Motion carries 5-0. Voting Yes- Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Scott Remole, Chris Grussing. Voting No- none

Summer Ball update- trophies needed for softball tourney. Ribbons are available and in storage for the T-ball end of season. Motion made to approve \$50 fee to bring Sidney Dairy Barn to last weekend of T-ball by Brian Booher. Seconded by Mike Ellars. Motion carries 5-0. 5-0. Voting Yes- Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Scott Remole, Chris Grussing

Ipark membership has been renewed and premium has been adjusted.

Committee Report-

Tree trimming complete. Weaver Painting finishing painting the dugouts. Boy Scouts have complete all pending projects.

General Welfare of the Park-

Field conditions and pitching mounds are discussed. Tolono parks do not currently have pitching mounds for baseball. Community members have offered to raise money for mounds.

Small Pavilion at West Side Park is needing to be removed. Board will revisit the timeframe after Fun Days.

Flower contract/purchasing options discussed.

Handicap Accessible playground equipment and signage are needed. Brian will inquire about potential grant programs.

Park truck in disrepair and has limited usage. License renewal will not be done at this time until information is gathered for a municipal plate.

New Business-

A district parent has asked permission to use the softball fields during daytime in summer for a no fee softball skills group for 8U girls. Board will allow usage.

Amazon Business account- Motion to approve us to \$70 for newly set up Amazon Business account- Brian Reedy, Seconded by Mike Ellars. Motion carries 5-0. Voting Yes- Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Scott Remole, Chris Grussing

Golf Carts in park- Current ordinance passed in 2018 prohibiting golf carts in park. Board will solicit public input for solutions of golf cart usage in park and discuss at future meetings.

Ordinance presented to allow park rules enforcement by Tolono Police Department. Motion to approve ordinance- Chris Grussing. Seconded by Scott Remole. Motion carries 5-0. Voting Yes- Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Scott Remole, Chris Grussing

Fun Days Update- Dates of parade, vendor locations, fireworks and helicopter rides discussed.

Motion to adjourn meeting-

Scott Remole, seconded by Brian Booher. Motion carries 5-0. Meeting ends 5:54 PM. Next monthly meeting scheduled 7/11/22 7 PM, Tolono Police Station.