

Tolono Park District Meeting:

July 11, 2022

Attendees: Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Matt Pieczynski, Matt Warnes, Chris Grussing

Meeting called to order: Brian Reedy

Last Month's Minutes- Motion to approve June meeting minutes- Matt Warnes. Second by Matt Pieczynski. Motion carries 6-0.

Treasurer's Report- Motion to approve outstanding checks, with exception of Ace Hardware statement- Brian Booher. Seconded by Matt Pieczynski. Motion carries 6-0. Voting Yes- Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Matt Pieczynski, Matt Warnes, Chris Grussing

Pam Steele, district treasurer had noted that concessions manager had worked many hours due to low employee coverage and suggested we increase wage. Cited that concessions salary was intended to cover management and scheduling, not for hourly coverage, however the manager had worked additional hours outside scope of position due to lack of available employees.

Motion to approve \$250 bonus for concessions manager- Brian Reedy. Seconded by Michael Ellers. Motion carries 6-0. Voting Yes- Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Michael Ellars, Matt Pieczynski, Matt Warnes, Chris Grussing

Brian Booher had suggested opening a credit card and closing all house accounts. Motion to open credit card account- Brian Reedy. Seconded by Brian Booher. Motion Carries 5-1. Voting Yes- Brian Reedy, Brian Booher, Matt Pieczynski, Matt Warnes, Chris Grussing. Voting No- Michael Ellers.

Motion to close all house accounts- Brian Reedy. Seconded by Brian Booher. Motion carries 6-0.

Audience –

Bob Kolakowski- Inquired about missing golf cart that is in possession of former district director Randy Grace. Asking if former director was being supervised while removing personal belongings.

Bob Swigart- Thanked district for use of facilities and space for Tolono Fun Days. Re-iterated that there were no issues during fun days with the golf carts in the park.

Bob Kolakowski- Speaking on behalf of golf carts. He has not seen issue in his time around parks. Has paid special attention in recent months and would like to see them continued to be allowed.

Annie White- Kona Ice is sending \$412 check for shared revenue from setting up at park during events.

Ashley Kolakowski- Would like to set up a 10u girls softball league. Has potential for 5 teams. Planning to co-organize with Jenna Shuckman.

Motion to add Girls 10u Fall rec softball league- Matt Pieczynski, seconded by matt Warnes. Motion carries 6-0.

Jake Mathis and Jenna Shuckman asked park to reevaluate assigning of teams to increase competitiveness as well as instructional continuity.

Eddie Edwards wanted to know vision and philosophy of summer ball program. Noted that coaches should understand expectations and have a basic training.

Annie White asked for clarification on how to split teams for fall baseball league.

Old Business-

District Audit- Village starting to conduct one for their jurisdiction. No clear answer when Park District audit will begin. Planning to use same agency as the village.

Committee Report-

Playground equipment repaired. Committee members will do another walk thru to determine the next steps in park improvements.

General Welfare of the Park-

Roof on West Side Park big pavilion needs to be replaced. Bids will be sought.

Lighting at West Side Park needs evaluated for safety and proper coverage.

New Business-

Oslad Grant of \$400,000 has been approved. Meetings in future months will include discussion on executing the projects related to the grant.

Diane Ducey, community member congratulated the board for the awarding of the OSLAD grant. Offered the idea of partnerships to add funds for additional projects.

Fall Soccer signups will begin at the end of July

Motion to adjourn meeting-

Brian Reedy. Seconded by Matt Warnes. Motion carries 6-0. Next monthly meeting scheduled 8/8/22 7 PM, Tolono Police Station.