

RECREATION COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Chairman Rick Rettig. Committee members present were Jim Matuszak and Rick Rettig. Tom Mackin was absent. Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator, and Jon Eckel, Service Director.

2014 PABSC ANNUAL REPORT

Chris Tinney, new President of PABSC, and Mark Kruzel, Treasurer, were present to give the 2014 PABSC Annual Report. Mr. Tinney said that he is looking forward to continuing the good working relationship with the City. Mr. Kruzel reviewed PABSC's numbers through the end of September. He said that things have been running smoothly and they had 750 kids participate this summer. He said that the scheduler makes sure that house teams are given first priority on the fields. Mr. Matuszak asked about the impact of the new lights at Rivercrest Park. Mr. Kruzel said that the lights were put in late in the season so they did not have much of an impact this season. Mr. Rettig said that the lights were the latest large purchase for PABSC, and he understands that dugouts are the next item they plan to purchase. Mr. Kruzel said they have discussed covering the dugouts and doing backdrops to provide some shade.

ACCEPTANCE OF WOOD COUNTY PARK GRANT

Mr. Eckel reported that as we do every year, we applied for a Wood County Park Grant. This year we applied for sun shades at the pool. The grant is for \$10,000 and there is \$10,000 budgeted in matching funds. The Committee agreed 2-0 to accept the Wood County Park Grant.

2015 RECREATION BUDGET REVIEW

Mr. Eckel distributed the budget worksheet for recreation expenditures to the Committee. He said that there are not a lot of surprises and overall it reflects a 1.84% increase. He said that the cost of summer help has increased, but there are 225 plus acres of mowing and planters. This requires a lot of bodies to pull weeds and do weed whacking. He noted that the cost of the mosquito spray has increased also. He said that it is so expensive because it is so safe. Mr. Eckel said that they held the line on the Recreation Program which is an exemplary service to the youth of the community. Mr. Rettig said that PRAC has discussed the popularity of the shelters at the parks and the possibility of adding another one. Mr. Eckel said that the natural spot to him would be to look at Rotary Park. Mr. Matuszak asked what the estimated cost of a shelter would be. Mr. Eckel said they were all constructed before he became Service Director so he could not give an estimate, but he will get a number for the Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Rettig
Chairman, Recreation Committee

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.