

ROME CITY PARK BOARD

Regular Meeting

August 23, 2017

The Rome City Park Board held their regular meeting on Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. held in the Rome City Town Hall. Called to order by President Tina Wilkinson.

Members Present:

Leigh A. Pranger-Secretary	Tina Wilkinson
Dina Holliday	John Martin

Members Absent:

Herman Conley

Roll call determined a quorum was present.

Interested parties in attendance: No one present

Member Martin made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Member Conley. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried.

Kelly Park Playground: The board discussed the finishing details on the playground. The area needs to be lined with timbers to keep the mulch from infiltrating the grass. Secretary Pranger informed the board the recycled plastic lumber/timbers are at the street garage and the town guys should be able to begin installation this fall.

Secretary Pranger contacted Taggarts regarding the recognition of donors and the board will be the similar to the Friends of the Park on the south end of the pavilion.

The board discussed the drive area to the playground needs to be graded, top soil brought in and seed sowed. Secretary Pranger stated the guys can do this in the fall.

Baseball Update: Member John Martin stated he has not been able to get in touch with Baseball League President Scotty Ritchie for an update. Secretary Pranger informed the board they are trying to set up a year-end meeting. President Wilkinson stated the banners were taken down but the bases were still out. John Martin stated he would pick up the bases from the fields.

Kelly Park:

1. Secretary Pranger informed the board the town guys were working on the installation of the culvert pipe along the pathway from the pavilion to the restrooms. They have been in contact with Pulver's and they anticipate the pathways to be installed the end of the month or the beginning of September. She noted if we continue to have water issues from this culvert we can install a couple of French drains.
2. It was suggested some water retention be done to the culvert west of the pavilion to help stop so much water from washing out the playground area. Secretary Pranger stated the town guys can look at this when they grade and reseed the ground used for a driveway.
3. President Wilkinson stated she has not had time to contact the Havert family to discuss their issues with the basketball court but seem to think they probably wanted the shooting box painting on the back boards.
4. Member Martin informed the board that Jim Coe a building contractor checked out the Kelly Pavilion post and found them to be in need of repair. To repair six post the cost estimate was \$3200. The member asked Member Martin to see how much it would be to replace all the posts.

5. President Wilkinson informed Secretary Pranger she needs the schedule for the Football games and practices. She stated she will contact the league President.
6. Discussion about the water runoff by the home dugout-this will be corrected if we get the grant for new baseball field.
7. Secretary Pranger informed the board the picnic table for ARC is in an they agreed it needs to be installed within the playground area.
8. Secretary Pranger suggested we put mulch around the stands on the adventure run to cut down on the trimming and keep the stands from being hit by the mowers. The board thought this would be a good idea-when the weather cools down.
9. President Wilkinson stated it is really dark in the park and wondered when the night lights would be installed. Secretary Pranger thought they were already installed. She will check with the town guys.

Grant Park:

1. Replace Playground edging-This fall the new timbers can be installed.
2. President Wilkinson stated the dugouts in Grant Park need to be painted along with replacing the roofs and eaves to silver metal. They will need to be power washed and then painted. Perhaps Mr. Lee Ritchie would be willing to so do the power washing. Secretary Pranger stated she might be able to get a community service worker to paint. The town guys can replace the roofs and eaves when it fits in their schedules.
3. The board discussed fixing the yard behind the bleachers and decided to wait until the concrete pads were constructed under the bleachers.
4. President Wilkinson stated we need to find a weed killer that we can apply during the off season to the play area as the tree saplings are really taking over. She will check with her brother to see if he can suggest anything, he owns a landscape company.

Sycamore Park:

1. Secretary Pranger informed the board the Conservancy District will have to replace the drain tile from the little pond under the parking lot to Little Lake. A portion has either collapsed or come apart and it is creating a sinkhole.
2. Secretary Pranger also informed the board the Conservancy will need to install a drainage system along the toe of the grass spillway to direct the surface water underground. This project is scheduled for September 19th.

Lakeside Park:

1. Small Swing set has been concreted in the ground.
2. The basketball court has been restriped.
3. President Wilkinson stated the dead trees have been removed.
4. This purchase is on hold due to the cost of the pavilion repairs.-Secretary Pranger brought up the board how many lake visitors use Lakeside Park to walk their dogs to go to the bathroom. They dock their boats and walk the sidewalk. She suggested a dog station be installed at the end by the public access. After some discussion the board did not realize this was a problem and stated the homeowners would probably appreciate the purchase. Member Holliday made a motion to purchase a station. Second by Member Martin. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried.

