

Open Meeting:

1. Roll call

Johnnie Collins- present, Kimberly Storey- present, Kailey Newbrough- present, Jerra Icenhower- present, Felecia Stewart- present, Cheryl Winder- present, Tim Cooke- present, Shawna Patrick-present

2. Call to order

Newbrough calls the meeting to order at 6pm

3. Approve agenda

Winder makes a motion to approve the meeting agenda, Cooke seconded.

Vote: 8- yes, 0-no

Public Forum:

3 community members present. Clifford offered to donate seedlings to plant near the Mill or creek, encouraged to have him meet with historical society. Mayor communicated his support and dedication to the park board. Provided guidance as to what information should be provided to the city council meetings.

Business Meeting:

1. Employee Reports: C. Counterman: soccer concessions are up and running. Sam's credit card is still in progress. Should be able to get it through the city. Will discuss with Sara to complete enrollment of Sam's club membership and credit card. Concessions needed a grill, and a community member donated a blackstone anonymously. B. Counterman: soccer is going strong. Changed the spring league from the traditional league. Fundamentals on Mondays and team practices on Tuesdays. Games on Saturdays. Positive response from players and parents. Shirts to be passed out to players on the last game day. Approximately 68 players. Craig received approval for seeding at the last meeting. Just under \$572. After further research will over seed in September and fertilize at the same time. Cleats will destroy seeding now. Sports complex \$412-\$468 to do pre-emergent/post-emergent instead of overseeding now as a possibility. Craig will find out what temperature is required to apply.

Vote to have Craig decide between seeding options up to \$575, Cooke makes a motion and seconded by Jerra. Vote: yes-8 no-0

2. Treasurer Report: Kimberly: July to Jan \$57,681, with total net of \$293,500.

Old Business

1. Grant Updates: Kimberly: Trails grant has been submitted. She suspects we may hear back in the fall.
2. Park Fencing Updates/Survey: Johnnie: We approved up to \$7,200 for a 4 foot fence and a community member wants to assess if they would like to upgrade the fence and pay the difference of costs. Fence would run along the community members property. Cost for the survey would approximately be \$475 (Whiteland Surveying). Will also quote "OWN" for survey costs.

Newbrough makes a motion to proceed with a survey under \$500, Jerra seconds the motion.

Vote: Yes- 8 No-0

3. Seasonal Support/Mowing Bids: Newbrough has discussed staffing options with Sara. Sara mentioned the possibility of staffing 16 year old or older. Concerned with liability of staff under 18 years of age. Received a mowing bid of \$1800 a week. Have an applicant now for the position and is over 18. Jerra makes a motion to move forward with the hiring of the new applicant "Tyler", Kimberly seconds the motion. Newbrough will contact the new employee and get him in touch with Craig. Tyler will need the Quickbook app for hours/pay. Cooke abstained from vote due to conflict of interest.

Vote: yes - 7, no - 0, abstained-1

4. Movies in the Park Details: B. Counterman said to check with the library for movies. May already have licensing to show the movies they own. Otherwise approximately \$190 a year for access to movie licensing. Library has a digital app to stream movies. Projector is digital only. Winder: discussed dates with Chamber, there is an ice cream social in July. Date to be determined. Could coordinate with PCAC event 8/6/25, National Night Out, a nationwide Police event. Movie night 6/21/25. Ice Cream social 7/19/25 for another movie night option. Back to school night 8/16/25 for movie night.

New Business:

1. Flag Football/Cheer. Numbers are up. 121 total for flag and 21 for cheer per B. Counterman. Metals and rings for awards. BJS, cheapest historically. Felecia makes a motion for B. Counterman to purchase from BJS and Winder seconds the motion. Flag Football Jerseys: Greek Corner, Jerra makes a motion to purchase Jerseys for football, Winder seconds. Vote 8-yes, 0-no.

Cheer shirts: dri-fit, short sleeve from Greek Corner, Johnnie makes a motion, Jerra seconds. vote: yes 8, no 0. Awards: cheer pin.

2. New Sponsorship Program: Potential Sponsorship Plan Options: Eagle - \$500 annually, Elite - \$1000 annually, Concession - \$5,000 2 year, one available and Field Level \$10,000 4 year, 2 available. Sponsorship would run from 7/1 to 6/30

- every year. \$5000 sponsorship would give enough money to renovate fields and concession stand.
3. Baseball: Registration opens 3/23/25-4/7/25. Practices begin 5/5/25. Season Dates: 5/19/25-6/17/25. Plan for 4 fields. Add a small t-ball field in left field (field 1) and another t-ball field in right field (field 2). Games potentially Monday Tuesday and Practice Thursday Fridays. Potentially would benefit from temporary backstops to protect kids on additional fields. Program has outgrown the current baseball field complex. Several adults have asked about adult softball leagues. May require additional fencing for the adult league. The score board lights up and flashes. Question if it works correctly.
 4. Utility Vehicle: Would allow set up to move more smoothly and efficiently for outdoor sports. Provides a quick transport option from point A to point B and avoids community members interruptions. Provided examples from currently marketplace listings of gas powered utility golf carts being sold in the surrounding areas. Examples are listed around \$3,000. Would be able to store it in the garage. Winder makes a motion for Brittany to purchase a used motorized utility cart for \$3,000 or less, Jerra seconds the motion. vote: yes - 8, no - 0
 5. Fundraiser: B. Counterman presented a fundraising event. 4/5/25. 1630-1830 event and then movie at sundown. Vendors could pay a vendor fee to set up for sales or activities. Vendors can also charge fees. Invite Alderman candidates, school board candidates and local non profits to set up booths for community engagement. Concessions would be open. Ask Small Town Party Rental to set up bounce house or yard games for kids/adults. Free: movie/games Charge: Bounce Houses (\$5 for unlimited jump), concessions and vendor booths. Brittany would obtain the license for vendors with their vendor fees. Winder makes a motion for fundraiser 4/5/25 and vendor fee at \$50, Storey seconds the vote. Cooke abstained. Vote: yes-7, no-0, abstained-1

Closed Session: N/A

Approve Park Board Minutes

Johnnie makes a motion to approve park board minutes from the last meeting, Winder seconded.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no

Adjournment:

Newbrough makes a motion to adjourn the open meeting at 8:23 pm

Next Park Board meeting will be Monday April 14, 2025

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81 S. Orchard Blvd. Fair Grove, Mo 65648
March 10th, 2025

Felecia Stewart, Secretary