

ROME CITY PARK BOARD

Regular Meeting

February 4, 2019

The Rome City Park Board held their regular meeting on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., as the regular meeting in January was rescheduled due to weather, held in the Rome City Town Hall. Called to order by President Tina Wilkinson.

Members Present:

Leigh A. Pranger-Secretary
John Martin

Tina Wilkinson
Herman Conley

Roll call a quorum was present.

Interested parties in attendance: Matt Brinkman and Sandra Tamez-Region 3A

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

Region 3A was present to discuss the 5-year park plan. Mr. Brinkman informed the board he will personally be taking over the responsibility of our park plan. He introduced a new employee Sandra Tamez, she will be helping with the plan, Mr. Brinkman apologized for the lack of communication regarding the plan. He stated, if the board will continue with Region 3a to complete the plan there will be no charge for the last half of the work. He said if the board is willing to continue with the plan he brought with him several items they need to go over. The board member discussed staying with Region 3A to finish the plan. It was decided to work with Region 3A to get the plan completed this year. Secretary Pranger passed out copies of the ADA Transition Plan for the five parks to be included in the park plan. The board and Region 3A reviewed the document and all the projects proposed in the old park plan and the proposed projects from the august meeting. That all being finish Mr. Brinkman stated he will have a rough draft ready for the next meeting for the board to review. (February 25, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.)

Baseball Report: Secretary Pranger informed the board she has found the number to the company who did the new baseball diamonds in Wolcottville- she will contact them and report back at the next meeting. (Hostetler Landscaping-574-825-9385)

Member Martin informed the board the Baseball League has not met yet this year.

Football Report: No report-The league will not be using the field until the Park Board gets a handle on the ground squirrels. Purchase Scoreboard and expand parking lot.

Noble Trails: Secretary Pranger informed the board she met with the Rome City Housing Authority to discuss using their sidewalk south of Sylvan Manor for the Multi-purpose pathway. The Housing Authority is in favor of the trail, but they want, and easement drawn up to relieve them from any liability. Secretary Pranger stated she turned in the pertinent information to Attorney Eberhard to draw up the easement and will meet with the Housing Authority the end of the month to finalize. Noble Trails would like to know what route we want to use through town. The board discussed running the trail on the south side of Lions Drive up to Park Drive across

Lions Drive along the west side of Park Drive along the existing sidewalk behind Sylvan Manor through their parking lot along the east side of the public access drive. Work on getting access through the Bolander property to Sylvan Point up to the gas station and onto the sidewalk across the bridge on State Road 9 onto the top of the Sylvan Lake Dam to Northport Road. The board agreed the path will be multi use for golf carts, bikes and walkers through town only, signs and pavement markers will denote the change from the bike/walk path only. The board discussed working on purchasing or obtaining easements during the winter months.

Kelly Park

- a) Vietnam Moving Wall-August in Kelly Park. The Legion asked if they could just cut off the stabilizing posts for the wall level with the ground when the wall needs to be removed. The board stated no, they want the posts removed and the holes filled in.
- b) Treatment of Grubs and winter dandelions (this may help the Ground Squirrels) \$755
- c) Work on this winter-Need to purchase a sign for Olive B. Cole Foundation for playground. The party has been canceled. The recognition of Joe Ackerman for his service on the board will be celebrated in the Spring.
- d) Spring- The board discussed moving the handicap swing to along the paved pathway, so the wheelchairs can access the swing. Secretary Pranger will look into the ADA regulations.
- e) Secretary Pranger informed the board the sports complex had horseshoe and shuffle board courts and Strawser Brothers did the work.
- f) President Wilkinson stated the Baseball Diamond is still having water runoff issue and needs to be remedied before we pave the sidewalk. Secretary Pranger sated she will see if the town employees can install a drain tile under the sidewalk to catch the runoff.
- g) Work on this winter-Secretary Pranger distributed information on keyless locks for the concession stand. The cost for the keypad will be \$600 and the audit trail and cards to be \$800. The board suggested we check out the website and/or speak to Mr. Shanfelt for more information. They added this is the way to go to reduce the number of keys.
- h) The town guys to install riprap around culvert ends.
- i) Remove dead bush from parking area an install rocks to block entry into grass.
- j) The board stated we need to plant trees around the playground for shade during the summer months.
- k) Spring-Secretary Pranger informed the board that yes Pulver asphalt sated the pathway should be sealed five 5-7 years. Secretary Pranger informed the board Pulver Asphalt will pave the new path to the concessions in the spring.
- l) Work on this winter-Secretary Pranger stated the addition to the concrete pad for the bleacher in Kelly park is on the town employees list as is the batting cage.
- m) Work on this winter-Replacing the backstop at Kelly Park we will need to obtain quotes.
- n) Expanding parking lot behind baseball field for Football.
- o) Rebar needs to be pounded back down on the landscape timbers around the playground,
- p) President Wilkinson stated there is a large woodchuck hole by the pavilion which needs to be filled in.

Grant Park

- a) One Dugout completed, need material list to finish the other one.
- b) Enlarge parking along Grant Street between the fence and road.
- c) Work on quotes this winter-Concrete pads under bleachers.

- d) Work on quotes this winter-to repaint the doors on the concession stand-contact American rebuilders-will need something to put over doorways when getting painted.
- e) Spring-Mr. Ritchie will need clear sealer to do the bathrooms at Grant Park.
- f) Spring-Install the dog poop station in Grant and Kelly Park.

Sycamore Park

- a) Work on this winter-Remake plaque for Eagle Scout Project.
- b) Have trees checked for health.

Lakeside Park

- a) Signage regarding dog poop pickup required.

Gaff Park

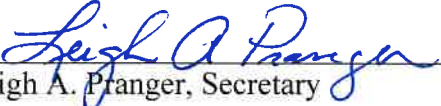
- a) Work on quotes this winter-Sidewalk along Lions Drive and Top rim of Gaff Park.

Secretary Pranger stated she will have copies of the ADA upgrades the parks will need to work on becoming compliant with ADA at the next meeting.

There being nothing more to discuss Member Conley made a motion to close the meeting at 7:00 p.m. second by Member Martin. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried.

Next Meeting: February 25, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:


Leigh A. Pranger, Secretary