

## **ROME CITY PARK BOARD**

### **Regular Meeting**

### **June 18, 2018**

The Rome City Park Board held their regular meeting on Monday, June 18, 2018 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	Herman Conley
John Martin	

Roll call a quorum was present. Interested parties in attendance: No one present. Member Holliday made a motion to approve the May minutes as presented. Second by Member Martin. All in favor-aye. Motion carried.

Member Dina Holliday presented a \$1000 check from the Sylvan Lake Association to be used toward park necessities. (i.e. dog stations). President Wilkinson thanked the Association and asked Secretary Pranger to send out a Thank you.

Region IIIA report on Park Plan: Shawn Tilghman informed the board the surveys are due in by June 25, 2018. He will then compile the information for the board. Shawn informed the board he will not be able to attend the July 16<sup>th</sup> board meeting which we had scheduled to be a public hearing on the new park plan and survey. Member Holliday made a motion to move the regular meeting and public hearing to Monday, July 23, 2018, the regular meeting at 5:00 -6:00 p.m. and the public hearing to start at 6:00 p.m. Second by Member Martin. All in favor-aye. Motion carried. Shawn also requested a copy of the Town's ADA transition plan. Secretary Pranger will send him a copy. The board asked Secretary Pranger to send out invitation to local organizations inviting them to attend the Public Hearing to gather local input.

Baseball Report: Member Martin stated the season is wrapping up and so far, everything has gone well. Secretary Pranger stated she met with Brett Slone, Kendallville Sports Complex about having the field reworked-he stated they do all the fieldwork in house; he suggested we condition the soil this helps loosen the soil and during rain events. Secretary Pranger informed the board Juniper Hills has fixed the water issues by the home dugout. President Wilkinson stated it looks like the water issue has been moved forward to home plate. She also asked Mr. Martin to contact the league to inform them the concession stand has been left open several times in Grant Park.

#### **Kelly Park**

- a) President Wilkinson asked if the guys can take down the recognition sign as we forgot to include the Olive B. Cole Foundation.
- b) President Wilkinson asked about installing a concrete pad under the adult swing when they do the picnic table, to decrease maintenance.
- c) Member Conley asked that the concrete pad be extended to the north. The dugout blocks the view of third base and the outfield.
- d) Secretary Pranger informed the board the sports complex had horseshoe and shuffle board courts and Strawser Brothers did the work.
- e) 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 definitely the way to go to reduce the number of keys.

- f) Install riprap around culvert ends.
- g) Remove dead bush from parking area and install rocks to block entry into grass.
- h) Add dirt to baseball fields around third base line and scoreboard.
- i) Order 2 –poop stations
- j) Secretary Pranger informed the board Mr. Ritchie is willing to do more work this year.  
We need to compile a list of things for him to do.

### **Grant Park**

- a) One Dugout completed, need material list to finish the other one.
- b) Order-1 poop station
- c) Spray parking lot with weed killer and add stone.
- d) Enlarge parking along Grant Street between the fence and road.
- e) Concrete pads under bleachers.
- f) Rework field this fall.
- g) Paint dugouts to match concession stand.
- h) Have Green-a-lawn or Everclear spray the saplings in the playground area.

### **Sycamore Park**

- a) Conservancy District to repair tile in parking lot and fix the draining on the toe of the dam when the weather warms up and dries out.
- b) Remove landscaping around historic sign.
- c) Remake plaque for Eagle Scout Project.
- d) Have trees checked for health.
- e) Order 1-poop station

### **Lakeside Park**

- a) Order 2- dog poop stations.
- b) Spraying of weeds in rip rap completed by Everclear aquatics.
- c) Signage regarding dog poop pickup required.
- d) The bollards requested by the Town council have arrived and need to be installed on the east end to stop motorized vehicles from using sidewalks. The signs are on order.

### **Gaff Park**

- a) Fill in ruts and holes from tree and brush removal along south side of Lions Drive and cut back brush.

Secretary Pranger informed the board she did not have enough time to get the invitations out for the recognition party for the donators and supporters of the playground project. Then she noticed we forgot Olive B. Cole Foundation on the sign. The board agreed to have the sign changed and reschedule the party when the sign is back up on the pavilion. The recognition of Joe Ackerman for his service on the board will also be celebrated.

The board then discussed some jobs for Mr. Lee Ritchie. They would like all three pavilions and picnic tables to be power washed. The dugouts in Grant Park need to be power washed and painted to match the pavilion. Secretary Pranger will contact him to see if he is still interested in doing the work and then discuss pay for the work.

Next Meeting: July 23, 2018 at 5:00- 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing 6:00 p.m. for Park Plan

Discussion ended at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

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