

Palo City Park & Rec Minutes

July 10th, 2024 at 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
2800 Hollenbeck Road

Called to Order: 1801

Roll Call: Ann, Amanda, Morgan, Clark, Ben

1. Approval of Minutes

- A. Motion by Ann and second by Morgan to approve June minutes.

2. Updates from City Council Meeting/Clark

- A. Working on getting park signs up- Dry Creek done and hoping to have Clymer done before Palo in the Park. Shade structures were donated for the parks. Clark still looking for metal poles to set those up before spreading mulch.

3. Clymer Park Pavilion

- A. Quote \$12-15,000 for materials for us to build the pavilion. Unsure of what the budget is for this fiscal year, but will discuss Lenna sending this to us. Need to discuss what West Linn is willing to contribute for this.
- B. Continue with previous motion for Clark to present this to City Council.

4. Palo Youth Ambassador Club

- A. Discussed partnering with West Linn to have a family fun night in September. Could be a “touch a truck” similar to Shellsburg’s with a foam cannon and kiddie water ball. Will add to new business for next meeting but discussed holding this in September.

5. Mural at Memorial Park

- A. Discussed painting a mural at Memorial Park on the concession stand. We could have a local artist draw an outline of a butterfly or dragonfly and then we could have the community members pay to put their handprint on the inside, maybe with their name/date. Clark has a clear coat that would be “vandal proof” that we could put over the top once completed. This could be a great fundraiser for Parks & Rec. Had been planning to do this at Palo Fun Days but planning to discuss another event this fall to draw families out to participate in future business. Need to find a local artist and purchase paint/sealer.
- B. Continue with previous motion for Clark to present this to City Council.

6. Beer Tasting Event

- A. Gym reserved October 5th from 11-1500. Iowa plays at Ohio State, so we will stream the game. Ann has a flyer made and email ready for vendors. She has also confirmed 1 food truck and is in conversation with 2 more. Need to determine if city will waive the cost of permits for P&R. Do not believe that beer vendors need a permit. Will need a Linn County sheriff to be posted, estimating around \$200. Pete has discussed with Westfield Insurance to determine what we need to have in place for this. Estimating around \$200. Beer vendors should have their own insurance.

OFFICIAL MEETINGS OPEN TO PUBLIC (OPEN MEETINGS), §21.8 21.8 Electronic meetings. 1. A governmental body may conduct a meeting by electronic means only in circumstances where such a meeting in person is impossible or impractical and only if the governmental body complies with all of the following: a. The governmental body provides public access to the conversation of the meeting to the extent reasonably possible. b. The governmental body complies with section 21.4. For the purpose of this paragraph, the place of the meeting is the place from which the communication originates or where public access is provided to the conversation. c. Minutes are kept of the meeting. The minutes shall include a statement explaining why a meeting in person was impossible or impractical. 2. A meeting conducted in compliance with this section shall not be considered in violation of this chapter. 3. A meeting by electronic means may be conducted without complying with paragraph “a” of subsection 1 if conducted in accordance with all of the requirements for a closed session

Palo City Park & Rec Minutes

July 10th, 2024 at 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
2800 Hollenbeck Road

This would be a good time for Parks & Rec to present what we're working on and recruit volunteers to help.

7. Open Gym

- A. Postpone to next meeting. Discussed inviting Kelsey Fish (319-361-6273) from Shellsburg to our next meeting. Amanda will reach out to her and see about a private meeting with her to find out how they run their open gyms/events.

8. Art Class/Art Around Town

- A. Ann will have the first classes on Wednesday, July 17th from 1000-1045 and 1630-1715 at the Community Center. 12 kids are currently signed up. She spent around \$60 on supplies and plans to submit this to City Council with her proposal. Also planning to do a free will donation. She has friendship bracelets and wall hangers to paint.

9. T-Ball

- A. Jeremy is not available for t-ball. Discussed that we need to plan a lot earlier and have information out in December/January. We should be recruiting coaches now. Amanda will put together a Microsoft Forms to determine what families are interested, number of kids, ages of kids, and interest in coaching. Will post link on Facebook. Also discussed possibility of putting advertisements in mailboxes or going door to door posting door hangers to recruit volunteers for t-ball and other programs.
- B. Motion by Ann and second by Ben to move forward with this.

10. Kickball Tournament

- A. Discussed that there were hard feelings about continuing with this, as the Palo Fun Days were cancelled. Determined that since the 5K and parade are continuing that we will continue with this. Discussed doing it Friday evening vs Saturday afternoon. The parade is at 1030, so will start kickball at 1200. Plan for double elimination tournament. Ann will post the Google doc sign up from last year. Will charge \$30 for teams of 9-12 people and \$5 for individuals to create a "misfits" team. Will post this on Facebook and do flyers at bank, city hall, Casey's, Brogan's, post office, etc. Will try to reach out to other towns in the area to grow the event.
- B. Motion by Ann and second by Ben to move forward with this.

11. Splash Pad

- A. Discussed that Clark has been in contact with Roto Rooter to fix the 20 feet of pipeline on the splash pad that would not involve breaking up the concrete. Splash pads require a lot of maintenance, regardless of how they are set up. The splash pad in Newbo has the water coming up from concrete level, without large structures shooting water. This would be nice if we needed a new one, but would be very costly.

OFFICIAL MEETINGS OPEN TO PUBLIC (OPEN MEETINGS), §21.8 21.8 Electronic meetings. 1. A governmental body may conduct a meeting by electronic means only in circumstances where such a meeting in person is impossible or impractical and only if the governmental body complies with all of the following: a. The governmental body provides public access to the conversation of the meeting to the extent reasonably possible. b. The governmental body complies with section 21.4. For the purpose of this paragraph, the place of the meeting is the place from which the communication originates or where public access is provided to the conversation. c. Minutes are kept of the meeting. The minutes shall include a statement explaining why a meeting in person was impossible or impractical. 2. A meeting conducted in compliance with this section shall not be considered in violation of this chapter. 3. A meeting by electronic means may be conducted without complying with paragraph "a" of subsection 1 if conducted in accordance with all of the requirements for a closed session

Palo City Park & Rec Minutes

July 10th, 2024 at 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
2800 Hollenbeck Road

- B. Motion by Amanda and second by Ann to pursue the Roto Rooter route and fix the current splash pad.

12. General Audience Comments

- A. None

13. New/Old Business

- A. "Touch a Truck" family fun night this fall to get people down to Memorial Park to put handprints on concession stand mural.
- B. More collaboration with West Linn and Parks & Rec to plan events and support one another. We both rely on donations and volunteers. We need to actively market our groups and advertise the need for volunteers, finding routes other than Facebook. Discussed a Parks & Rec update to the community, sharing our meeting time and what we're working on at the "Touch a Truck", Beer Tasting, or Town Hall event.

- 14. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 1848.

OFFICIAL MEETINGS OPEN TO PUBLIC (OPEN MEETINGS), §21.8 21.8 Electronic meetings. 1. A governmental body may conduct a meeting by electronic means only in circumstances where such a meeting in person is impossible or impractical and only if the governmental body complies with all of the following: a. The governmental body provides public access to the conversation of the meeting to the extent reasonably possible. b. The governmental body complies with section 21.4. For the purpose of this paragraph, the place of the meeting is the place from which the communication originates or where public access is provided to the conversation. c. Minutes are kept of the meeting. The minutes shall include a statement explaining why a meeting in person was impossible or impractical. 2. A meeting conducted in compliance with this section shall not be considered in violation of this chapter. 3. A meeting by electronic means may be conducted without complying with paragraph "a" of subsection 1 if conducted in accordance with all of the requirements for a closed session