

VERMILION PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

Minutes of September 19, 2017 - 7:00pm | Municipal Complex Courtroom (687 Decatur)

Roll Call: E. Wakefield, B. Scholtz; J. Logue, W. Warden, D. Brudney, T. Parker;
Excused: J. Keck.

Also Present: D. Corogin, PARKS DIRECTOR; T. Valerius, SERVICE DIRECTOR; B. Holmes, CITY
COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Chairperson, E. Wakefield called the September 19, 2017, Vermilion Parks and Recreation Board meeting to order.

B. Warden MOVED; B. Scholtz seconded to approve the minutes of August 15, 2017. Vote 6 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIENCE/COMMUNITY GROUP USE PERMIT:

*Main Street Vermilion – **Farmer’s Market** (Victory Park) – June 23 – September 8, 2018 from 7am – 3pm.*

J. Kernell was present to request use of Victory Park for the Farmer’s Market from June 23 – September 8, 2018.

T. Parker MOVED; J. Logue seconded to approve the community event group use permit as submitted by Main Street Vermilion for the Farmer’s Market for the dates specified above. Vote 6 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Main Street Vermilion – **Triathlon** (Sherod Park) – August 16-19, 2018 (all day).*

J. Logue MOVED; D. Brudney seconded to approve the community event group use permit as submitted by Main Street Vermilion for the Triathlon from August 16-19, 2018 at Sherod Park. Vote 6 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Dirty Dozen – **Softball Fundraiser Tournament** (Showse Park) – Saturday, October 7, 2017 from 8am to 6pm.*

B. Scholtz MOVED; B. Warden seconded to approve the community event group use permit as submitted by Dirty Dozen for a softball fundraiser tournament to be held on October 7, 2107 from 8am – 6pm at Showse Park. Vote 6 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

DIRECTORS’ REPORTS:

Recreation Director Chad Kuhns reported that Ehope is working on the baseball dugout behind the high school. The cost should not exceed \$2,000.

J. Logue MOVED; D. Brudney seconded to approve the work on the baseball dugout in an amount not to exceed \$2,000. Vote 6 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Service Director Tony Valerius reported they started tearing down the museum house today which should be completed by the end of the week. Secondly, he mentioned that council brought up several issues regarding the materials on the ramps at the skateboard park that need replaced.

Therefore, he is looking into getting a price to replace the materials. D. Brudney said he talked with some of the kids at the skate park who mentioned several concerns relative to the activity at the park and the fact they were building homemade ramps out of cement blocks and wooden pallets. T. Valerius said the city removed the cement blocks and pallets. D. Brudney said the bleachers located in the park are dangerous as they have removed the end caps which have sharp edges. He said the kids are worried the city is going to close the park. The kids even mentioned they have seen drug use at the park.

Parks Director Dana Corogin reported the Showse Park light poles have been ordered and thanked the following people who donated towards the pole: WS Inc., Americut, Vermilion in Bloom, KS & Associates, Peter and Dana Corogin.

She reported on some vandalism that occurred at Showse Park. Vandals broke into the shed and stole the gator that Hot Stove purchased. A tree and the fence were damaged, and they turfed areas.

She commended the Parks maintenance guys who have really stepped up this summer. The beaches look good and she has received good comments.

She will pursue talking to the Lions Club to see if they are interested in refurbishing the historic marker in Victory Park that needs to be stripped and powder coated, and the lettering and design details repainted.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Wakefield House Development Committee:

J. Logue said he didn't have any new information to report.

Long-term Financial Sustainability:

D. Corogin thanked everyone for running a positive parks levy campaign.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

T. Parker reported as of July the ending fund balance is \$111,000.

ADJOURNMENT:

J. Logue MOVED; E. Wakefield seconded to adjourn the meeting. Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NEXT MEETING:

October 17, 2017 @ 7:00 pm - Municipal Complex Courtroom (687 Decatur)

Gwen Fisher, Boards and Commissions