

Altoona Parks & Recreation Board  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, July 22, 2020

The Altoona Parks & Recreation Board met on Wednesday, July 22, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. at Altoona City Hall. Members present were: Sandie Hamilton, Steve Moyna, Brigid Ernst, Andrew Frana, Scott Duer, Chief Stallman, Chris Rhinehart and Jody Phelps Secretary.

Absent: Lisa Moody-Tunks, Jon Wall and Mike Wall.

Quorum was declared.

Minutes of the February 26, 2020 meeting were read. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Sandie Hamilton, seconded by Andrew Frana. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors were: Matt Crawl, Cindi Richey and Tammy DeJoode.

Cindi Richey with Crimson Creed Ministries would like to hold an event at the Haines Park Stage on August 29, 2020 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. This will be a free will donation, with donations going to the Women and Children In Need. This is open to the public and bringing chairs will be encouraged so that social distancing will be used. A motion was made by Steve Moyna this event, seconded by Andrew Frana. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Matt Crawl, Executive Director of the Altoona Soccer Club was present to update on the fall and spring season. In the spring, they were not able to hold a season due to COVID 19. They refunded close to \$70,000 in registrations for the spring season. Altoona Soccer has been conservative with spending and luckily could refund all the spring registration fees and still have enough operating funds to get through the season. There is a tournament scheduled this fall with 60 to 70 teams participating, they are towards the end of the registration for the fall, with the kids starting to play the end of August. Scott Sam's was just elected the new President for the club on Tuesday night. They are hoping the new parking lot is completed soon.

Melissa Horton with the Altoona Chamber had planned to attend, however was feeling under the weather, and emailed her presentation for the Downtown Assessment with IEDA Team for Olde Town Altoona Revitalization Project. They would like to utilize Haines Park for a meeting on Tuesday, August 25, 2020 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. A motion was made by Sandie Hamilton to allow them to use Haines Park, seconded by Steve Moyna. All ayes. Motion carried.

Park update –

Park staff is busy tree trimming, landscaping, filling holes and cracks, and doing regular maintenance items along with keeping the parks in good working order for the residents. Chris noted that the Oak Hill basketball court has been finished. City staff has been working with Jeannie Conkling to get the Skip Conkling Park by the Library started.

They have decided on the items that will be in the park and are in the process of getting them ordered. This is planned to be completed by fall of 2020.

Relay for Life would like to use the Prairie Heritage Civic Plaza again on June 12, 2021 from 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm. They have had this event the past several years and there has not been an issue and everything is cleaned up properly when they leave in the past. A motion was made by Steve Moyna to support this event, seconded by Andrew Frana. All ayes. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. was made by Andrew Frana, seconded by Sandie Hamilton. All ayes. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 26, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. at Village Park or if bad weather it will be a Zoom Meeting.