

Altoona Parks Board
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 24, 2021

The Altoona Parks Board met on Wednesday, February 24, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. Members present were: Steve Moyna, Lisa Moody-Tunks, Jon Wall, Mike Wall, Sandie Hamilton, Andrew Frana, Scott Duer, Scott Atzen, and Jody Phelps, Secretary.

Missing were: Brigid Ernst.

Quorum was declared.

Minutes of the January 27, 2020 meeting were read. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Mike Wall, seconded by Sandie Hamilton. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors: None.

Park Update:

Townsend Community Center parking lot is still not completed. They are waiting for the frost from winter to be gone. The Senior Meal site that is moving to the Townsend Community Center will not reopen until all vaccines have been given. We are still not certain on rental procedures and who will be taking the reservations.

Scott Atzen, Public Works director gave an update on events that will be held this year, all these events have been previously held and all went well in the past. Farmers Market, City Staff meant with the Olde Town Association, via Alex Payne and they would like to hold this event on 2nd St SE (between 1st Ave S and 2nd Ave SE). They are checking with all the businesses to make sure this will work with them. They would be held every Thursday from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm beginning in June and ending in September. Music in the Park has their schedule out for the Summer. Scheduled are 4 dates: May 30th, June 20th, August 1st and August 29th, all will begin at 6:00 pm. Hy-Vee would like to hold their Easter Egg Scramble again on March 20, 2021 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. Hy-Vee would also like to plan on holding their Ladies Night again on September 10, 2021 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The Altoona Chamber would like to hold the Altoona Wine & Craft Beer Fest on June 4th from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm, and the Business Trick or Treat at the Civic Plaza on October 21st from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. A motion was made by Andrew Frana to approve these events seconded by Mike Wall. 5 ayes and 1 abstained from the motion. Lisa Moody-Tunks abstained because she was on via zoom and she did not have the information to review before being able to vote.

Scott discussed Lindsey Dawson approached the City of Altoona wanting to put free sunscreen station(s) out at the Baseball concession stand area and possibly one by the sprinkler at the Civic Plaza next to Hy-Vee. The stations would be in memory of Tyler Spencer. Lisa Moody-Tunks motioned to table this, seconded by Andrew Frana to table until more information was gathered. Questions they had included: How and where they would mount, what they will look like and who/when would refill them.

Tim and his staff have been busy with snow removal since January's meeting.

The City entertaining the idea of building a Hitting facility in Altoona. Scott has a meeting scheduled to get ideas and information from the leagues.

The City will be hiring a Communication Specialist in July.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mike Wall, seconded by Steve Moyna at 7:15 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 24, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.