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The Bedford Parks and Recreation Board met on January 6, 2022. The following members were present:

Chairman, Randy Newby, Doug Allbach, Jeannette Cook,
Sam Fairchild, Megan Girard, Donna Hanson,
Marguerite Jones, Heather Lopez Velarde,
constituting a quorum.
Don Henderson, Parks Superintendent was also present.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Randy Newby, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Consider approval of the following Parks and Recreation Board minutes:
a. November 4, 2021, regular meeting**

Ms. Donna Hanson motioned to approve the minutes from November 4, 2021, as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jeannette Cook and passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2. Discussion and possible action on special events calendar.**

Mr. Henderson said he would have City staff present on upcoming events at the February Board meeting.

- 3. Discussion and possible action on budget for 2022**

Mr. Henderson made the presentation. He shared that he had to appropriate part of the Parks and Recreation balance for the new basketball court since it was not completed prior to October 1, so there was not funding available for additional projects. Ms. Jones recommended presenting a budget amendment to the City Council for additional items, including events that the Board would like to sponsor. Mr. Henderson said he would start working on next year’s budget in March and staff would have until June to finalize the budget prior to the new fiscal year. Ms. Hanson and Ms. Lopez Velarde shared budget items they would like to have considered, including gingerbread houses during the holidays and certain park amenities that may be needed. Mr. Henderson said he would continue to bring budget updates back to the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

- 4. Discussion and possible action on Basketball Court at Central Park project**

Mr. Henderson made the presentation. He shared that the cement slab was poured and the check for payment had been processed. He shared that staff was still waiting on the Nancy Lieberman Foundation to determine the most appropriate date for a ribbon cutting, along with several other

organizations that were involved in the project. Once a date was determined, the contractor would add the finishing touches (e.g., mount tiles, courts) a week or two prior to the event. Several programs would be supported under the current donation package.

5. Discussion and possible action on sponsoring and working special events.

Mr. Henderson made the presentation. He shared that staff would like to see Board Members come out to support City events with volunteer hours. Ms. Hanson requested a list of all City events in addition to the Parks and Recreation events. She added that the Parks and Recreation Board should be involved in the grand opening of Generations Park. Mr. Henderson said that the Board would have a better idea of what the City Council wanted to do as the opening date approached. Several ideas for engagement were shared, including giving tours of Generations Park, hosting a membership drive, and starting a walking club.

REPORTS

6. Discussion of individual park assignments

- a) **Bedford Trails Linear Park** - Looks good
- b) **Brook Hollow Park** - Several trail markers were missing and others need to be replaced
- c) **Carousel Park** - Looks good
- d) **Central Park** - Pathway light out
- e) **Cheek Sparger Trails** - Looks good
- f) **Dewey Tennant Park** - Looks good
- g) **Generations Park** - Another tour would be scheduled for the spring
- h) **Harris Ryals Park** - Looks good
- i) **Meadowpark Athletic Complex** - Big dogs have created a bald spot in the grass
- j) **OBS Park** - Looks good
- k) **Stormie Jones Park** - Looks good

NEXT MEETING

7. The next scheduled meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board will be February 3, 2022.

8. Staff updates.

Discussed during meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Cook. The motion passed unanimously.

Randy Newby, Chairperson