

ROME CITY PARK BOARD

Regular Meeting
May 16, 2022

The Rome City Park Board held their regular meeting on Monday, May 16, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., held in the Rome City Town Hall. Called to order by President Wilkinson by Zoom.

Members Present:

Leigh A. Pranger-Secretary Doug Maley
Tina Wilkinson Bridgett Coe

Roll call a quorum was present.

Interested parties in attendance: None

Member Martin made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Member Maley. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried.

- 1) Update on Bike Racks from IMPACT-Secretary Pranger stated the bike racks have been delivered and scheduled a picture on May 17th, with IMPACT teacher and the kids who made the racks. The bill from IMPACT should be sent to Advance Rome City.
- 2) Secretary Pranger will contact the Johnson's and the Cook's to schedule a picture with the message center for Monday June 20 during the Park Meeting.
- 3) Update on Softball/Baseball League: Secretary Pranger informed the board everything is going well with the league.
- 4) Metal Detecting in the parks-Secretary Pranger checked with Kendallville they do not have a permit or any restrictions on this.

Kelly Park

- a) *Kelly Park Playground-need to relocate handicap swing next to the sidewalk to be accessible. -the Park Board instructed Pranger to get quote to install and asphalt walkway to the east of the playground to move the handicap swing and install benches. Replace handicap swing with a mommy and me swing.
- b) *Replace baseball back stop or reinforce-on hold- recess and fill in hole around manhole behind home plate.
- c) Look into reconstruction of tennis courts for future planning.
- d) *Secretary Pranger informed the board the sports complex had horseshoe and shuffleboard courts and Strawser Brothers did the work.
- e) *The board stated we need to plant trees around the playground for shade during the summer months. ARC said no to the Spring Fling auction but will consider a donation to plant trees.
- f) *Secretary Pranger stated the addition to the concrete pad for the bleacher in Kelly Park will have to wait-we can enlarge the pad and add the base stone. The water fountain at Kelly Diamond will need to be relocated in order to move the bleachers. Secretary Pranger stated she will have the town employees look into it, possibly moving the fountain to the corner of the pavilion.
- g) *Parking lot needs to be sealed- Secretary Pranger stated the quotes will be ready for the June Meeting.
- h) Parking Bumpers were dropped off at the Street building by Slater's and they will be installed after the seal coat is applied. (Pallet of bumpers (16) at the street building)

Dog Park Location between Kelly Park and Grant Park: Member Maley asked if we can plant some trees this year for the dog park so they have time to grow. The members agreed we

can have them planted when we plant some this fall in Kelly Park or Member Maley can plant them. Maple Trees were suggested as well as asking Hulen's Landscaping ,what they would recommend for the sandy/clay soils.

Grant Park

- a) American Rebuilders-Secretary Pranger informed the board the door frames have been painted and they look good.
- b) Member Maley informed the board he completed the painting in the restroom.
- c) President Wilkinson asked Secretary Pranger informed the board she requested quotes from Eshelman Excavating and Miller Excavating and only received one quote for the bulldozer work along the fence line on Grant for additional parking this season. Miller Excavating submitted a bill for \$735 to remove the soil from the site. Pranger informed the board the reground asphalt to fill the area will be 7 triaxle loads, hopefully we will have enough for this project from the street repaving on the North side of the lake. Member Martin made a motion to approve Miller Excavating quote. Second by Member Maley. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried.
- d) *Hold until 2023-Concrete pads under bleachers.

Sycamore Park

- a) Pranger cleaned trash from the park on June 3 during the Dam inspection.

Lakeside Park

- a) *Secretary Pranger stated we need to send out another notice on Facebook to determine interest in installing a new playground and ½ court basketball court. Invite citizens to which meeting? to discuss. Secretary Pranger will make up a flyer for Facebook.
- b) *Check into a half-court basketball court to separate the parking lot and install new basketball goal. Install along the fence by Frank Sturdivant body shop.
- c) Secretary Pranger-printed off a copy of Land Water conservation grant information.
- d) Lakeside Park improvement meeting: The board suggested we send invitations and notices on Social media to invite citizens to discuss improvements to Lakeside Park either the July 18th meeting or August 15th meeting.

Gaff Park Trail head:

- a) *location for President Furlow's bench-Pranger suggested it be installed between the pine trees at the public access-There will be room we will need to place a concrete or asphalt pad.
- b) Secretary Pranger informed the board she sent an email to find out how much longer the well permit will take. Waiting to hear back.
- c) Design plaque for water fountain-Sylvan Lake Association. Pranger is looking into a sticker to be placed on the fountain showing the sponsor.
- d) *Member Maley stated the toilets and plumbing are in the east restroom. The faucets are on order and should be in by the end of April. Member Maley offered to pick up anything the town guys might need to finish the installation.

The board decided to delay the celebration of opening of the Gaff Park restrooms/message board/drinking fountain. (Trailhead), possibly do the event on the Saturday of Chautauqua Saturday, August 13th from 4-7 p.m. The board discussed asking to park at American Elegance for the event, bringing in food trucks, Music-Pranger to contact Chamber for their contacts from Lyrics on Lakeside, Park Board to provide Cake and water for the celebration, ask local non-

profit to attend and stump for their groups-ARC, Chamber, Lions, GSP, Library, Noble Trails, display business cards and flyers for groups and businesses not in attendance. The board stated we have a 2-sided banner to advertise the event.

Event is on for Food Truck event for July 2nd.

Food Trucks

Hitchin' kitchen July 2nd-she will come contact.

Street Tacos-July 2nd

Holy Smokes-July 2nd

Kona Ice-July 2nd

Dougie's Hotdogs-July 2nd

Party on the Patio-July 2nd

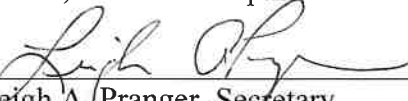
Carey's Cakery-July 2nd

Need to get flyers out for food truck event.

Member Maley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Second by Member Martin. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried.

Next Meeting: June 20, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted:



Leigh A. Pranger, Secretary