

## ROME CITY PARK BOARD

Regular Meeting  
June 20, 2022

The Rome City Park Board held their regular meeting on Monday, June 20, 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  
John Martin

Roll call a quorum was present.

Interested parties in attendance: Rhonda Stienecker

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

- 1) Bike Racks from IMPACT-Secretary Pranger we need to decide a location for the bike racks. The board decided the racks will be placed to the east of the message center with limestone placed underneath and a border to match the message center.
- 2) A picture was taken with the park board on one of the sponsors of the message center Ken and Meghan Cook. Secretary Pranger will forward the picture to the News-Sun.
- 3) Update on Softball/Baseball League: Secretary Pranger informed the board everything is going well with the league. The refrigerator in Kelly went out and we moved the Grant Park frig to Kelly and we are looking for a replacement for Grant Park.
- 4) Secretary Pranger installed larger laminated maps in the message sign.
- 5) Metal Detecting in the parks-After some discussion Member Martin made a motion to approve metal detecting the park as long as the holes, they make are filled. Second by Member Coe. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried.

### Kelly Park

- a) Quotes for sealing Kelly Park lot and restriping. Secretary Pranger informed the board she had six companies submit quotes. Pulver's-\$7,505, Steven's Asphalt-\$10,900, Fox Maintenance-\$5,350, Lucke Duck's-\$4,800, Asphalt Care Inc.-\$9,400 and Asphalt Maintenance-\$4,983. Upon review the board decide the lowest bidder should be awarded. Member Martin made a motion to accept Lucke Duck's quote of \$4,800. Second by Member Coe. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried. The work to take place after the baseball season.
- b) \*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. Quotes on walkway to be sent out and ready for July meeting.
- c) \*Replace baseball back stop or reinforce-on hold- recess and fill in hole around manhole behind home plate.
- d) Member Martin painted the wall in Kelly Park Concession restroom with Kils and will paint a second coat with the color paint.
- e) Look into reconstruction of tennis courts for future planning.
- f) \*Secretary Pranger informed the board the sports complex had horseshoe and shuffleboard courts and Strawser Brothers did the work.

- g) \*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.
- h) \*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.
- i) 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 -Change name to Off Leash Area-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. Member Maley is working on the types of trees and when best to plant. The board suggested bigger trees be planted by Hulen's. Mr. Maley stated he will look in donations for the trees. Member Maley stated he will also contact Arrow Fence for a quote.

**Grant Park**

- a) American Rebuilders-Secretary Pranger informed the board the door frames have been painted and they look good. Waiting on bill.
- b) 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.
- c) \*Hold until 2023-Concrete pads under bleachers.

**Sycamore Park**

- a) Nothing New.

**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 18<sup>th</sup> meeting or August 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Public Meeting on Lakeside Park**

Scheduled for July 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Chair Wilkinson will reach out to the interested parties in the Facebook page. Secretary Pranger stated she can have Jenny send out invitations to the local organizations, Tom and MaryLou Chronister, churches and businesses to

attend and voice their opinions and suggestions. Secretary Pranger stated she had a citizen ask about a pickleball court in Lakeside. We might be able to paint lines on the half-court Basketball court.

**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 we now need a construction permit and mail in \$500 to IDEM for the permit. Waiting to find out how much longer the well permit will take.
- 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 he will be picking up the faucet from Home Depot this week. Member Maley offered to pick up anything the town guys might need to finish the installation.

Delayed until we find out about the well for the park. 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup>.-Trucks to be located on St. Road 9 bridge in the east lane. Secretary Pranger will get the flyer and donation jar stickers updated and find the banner for the event. Member Maley stated he can work on the electrical on Front St over the next year to get everything ready for 2023 Food Truck event.

Food Trucks

Hitchin' kitchen July 2<sup>nd</sup>-she will come contact.

Street Tacos-July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Holy Smokes-July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Kona Ice-July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Dougie's Hotdogs-July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Party on the Patio-July 2<sup>nd</sup>


Carey's Cakery-July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Need to get flyers out for food truck event.

Member Maley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Second by Member Martin. All in favor-aye. Motion Carried.

Next Meeting: July 18, 2022 at 5:15 p.m. at the Town Hall. Public Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Leigh A. Pranger, Secretary