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January 29, 2020

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Karen Murphy, Public Services Director
SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of February 4, 2020

The regular meeting of the Midland Parks and Recreation Commission has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 4, 2020. The meeting will be held in Council Chambers of Midland City Hall at 333 W. Ellsworth and will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Roll Call
- 4) Minutes of meeting of December 3, 2019
- 5) Call to Audience
- 6) Miracle Field public crowdfunding campaign
- 7) Currie Stadium proposal
- 8) Project Reports
 - a. Upper Emerson Park renovation update
 - b. Miracle Field
 - c. Pickleball and tennis court complex
 - d. Grove Park improvements
 - e. Cardboard Sled Race after report
- 9) Old Business
 - a. Recreation fee approval
- 10) New Business
- 11) Adjourn



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Miracle Field public crowdfunding campaign: Marcie Post will share with us the exciting kick off of the public crowdfunding campaign for the Miracle Field. She will share the fundraising goal and the details of a matching grant if that goal is reached. The Commission will be asked to render a recommendation that City Council accept the matching grant component should the campaign successfully reach the fundraising goal.

Currie Stadium proposal: I will share a plan developed by the Parks supervisory team to close Currie Stadium for use at this time due to continued safety concerns with concrete spalling and falling in the underside of the stadium facility. I will also share the proposed funding plan for future demolition of the facility.

Project Reports: I will provide updates on the following ongoing projects:

- Upper Emerson Park riverfront renovation
- Miracle Field design phase
- Central Park pickleball and tennis courts
- Grove Park improvements

To wrap up the Project Reports, Marcie will provide an after report on the recent cardboard sled races held at City Forest.

Old Business – Recreation Fee Approval: I will announce that the proposed recreation fee changes were approved by City Council in January and are now in place for all future rentals, recreation programs, leagues and activities.

MIDLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 3, 2019
MIDLAND CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 P.M.

PROPOSED MINUTES

- 1) Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chairperson Nancy Carney.

Pledge of Allegiance

- 2) Roll Call:

- a. MEMBERS PRESENT: Billotti, Carlson, Carney, Rankin, Rice, Steidemann, Varela
- b. MEMBERS ABSENT: Johns
- c. OTHERS PRESENT: Marcie Post, Recreation Manager

- 3) Minutes of November 5, 2019: Rankin motioned, Billotti seconded to receive minutes of the meeting of November 5, 2019. Motion passed 7-0.

- 4) Election of new vice chairperson: Murphy explained that with the resignation of Chairperson Andrea Foster, Vice Chairperson Nancy Carney will step up to the role of Chairperson. The Commission will elect a new vice chair at this time. Murphy asked for nominations for the position of vice chair and an oral vote was taken.

Steidemann nominated Billotti to serve as vice chair and Varela seconded the nomination. Motion passed 7-0.

- 5) Call to Audience: None

- 6) Softball end of season update: Post provided an update on the end of season statistics for the softball program. She reported 135 summer teams and 47 fall teams, down slightly from the previous year. Post stated that Midland's program is doing better than other programs across the state.

- 7) Public hearing on proposed recreation fee changes for 2020: Murphy reviewed the proposed recreation fees as presented to the Commission at their November meeting. The proposed fee changes include:

- Increase all softball fees by \$2.00 per player for adult and youth leagues
 - Adult summer league to increase from \$29 to \$31 per player
 - Adult fall league to increase from \$19 to \$21 per player
 - Youth league to increase from \$10 to \$12 per player
- Increase the Chalet rental from \$45 to \$50 per hour
- Increase the Band Shell rental from \$75 to \$80 per use
- Revise scope of picnic table rentals, trash receptacles, stage and metal event fencing to COMMUNITY events only
- Increase all picnic shelter rentals by \$5.00 each
 - Barstow A \$35 to \$40
 - Chippewassee B \$35 to \$40

- Emerson C \$35 to \$40
- Emerson D \$55 to \$60
- Emerson E \$35 to \$40
- Plymouth F – whole \$65 to \$70
- Plymouth F – half \$35 to \$40
- Plymouth G \$35 to \$40
- Plymouth H \$35 to \$40
- Stratford Woods I \$35 to \$40
- Unsheltered Areas \$25 to \$30
- Tournament Fees
 - Change non-refundable field deposit to \$75
 - Increase field rentals as follows:
 - 2 hour rental - \$40 to \$50 per field
 - 4 hour rental - \$50 to \$60 per field
 - Full day rental - \$95 to \$110 per field
 - Add new fee for Daily Complex rental of Optimist at \$300 per day
 - Add clean up fee of \$200 at the discretion of the Director
- Swimming Fees – Increase as follows:
 - Daily adult from \$5.00 to \$6.00
 - Daily youth/senior from \$4.00 to \$5.00
 - Swim Lessons from \$40 to \$45
 - Competitive Swim lane rental from \$55 to \$65 per hour
 - Adult season pass from \$85 to \$90
 - Youth season pass from \$70 to \$75
 - Family – 2 member from \$120 to \$130
 - Each additional family member from \$35 to \$45
 - Maximum family from \$190 to \$220
 - Limited adult 15 admission pass from \$50 to \$60
 - Limited youth 15 admission pass from \$40 to \$45

A public hearing was scheduled for this evening but there were no audience members present who wished to comment, so the public hearing was closed with no comments offered. Murphy shared that a joint meeting will be held between City Council and the Parks & Recreation Commission on Monday, December 9 at 6:00 to discuss the proposed fee changes. Murphy will then present the recommended changes at two City Council meetings in January for consideration and adoption.

Varela motioned to recommend the fees as proposed to the City Council at the upcoming joint meeting, and Rankin seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

- 8) Keep Midland Beautiful update: Post provided an update on Keep Midland Beautiful (KM2B). She explained that the annual litter index was conducted in September by 4 trained staff members traveling over 50 miles of randomly selected streets representing all zoning types including commercial, industrial, and residential. The City scored 1.07 on a scale of 4, indicating very minimal litter. This index will be reported annually. Post also shared that data has been collected and reported on volunteer efforts from Blooms to smaller groups who have done some sort of beautification, litter clean up or recycling project. The committee for KM2B has met twice since the group was started.

9) Project Reports:

- a. Upper Emerson Park renovation update: Murphy reported that the project is on hold awaiting the final interpretive signs. Once these are installed, there is one asphalt patch remaining to do in the spring. The MNRFT grant will be closed out this winter and a ribbon cutting will be scheduled for the spring.

- b. Project design phase – Miracle Field, Pickle Ball Courts, Grove Park improvements: Murphy shared that Pickle Ball project is in final engineering design phase, with specifications then needing review and approval by the Department of Natural Resources. The Miracle Field is moving into design phase with an initial meeting of the project designer, the construction management firm and the architect. Grove Park is also in the early design stage, with the project designer working on specifications that include City staff demolition and installation of specific elements, and a contractor to perform pathway installations, concrete work and basketball court install. All three projects will be bid this winter and construction will begin in the spring.

10) Old Business : None

11) New Business: None

12) Adjourn: Motioned by Steidemann, seconded by Carlson to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 7– 0. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Murphy
Director of Public Services