

City of Silvis Playground and Recreation Board
Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2019

Members present: Juan Escontrias Bruce Nelson, Bob Roman Chris Baker and Carrie Toland

Members absent:

Also present: Park Lead Dave Hays, Rob Liva, Joe Gates, Linda Prior, Damon Bautista

Juan Escontrias called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Bob Roman made a motion to accept the minutes from January as written. Motion seconded by Carrie Toland. All ayes – motion carried.

Juan Esconstriass read the bills.

B&B Drain/Hi-Nee Huts	\$100.00
Mid-American Energy	\$159.07
Close & Company	\$1161.00
Silvis School District	\$240.00
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TOTAL	\$1900.07

Bob Roman made a motion to pay all bills for the previous month. Motion seconded by Bruce Nelson. All ayes – motion carried.

Old business:

- Chris Baker was sworn in to fill the vacant spot on the board.
- Schadt Park concession stand: The board is waiting an estimate from Jim Grafton.
- Ice skating Rink: The rink has been opened. The weather has made it challenging this month, but it has been open and had some visitors. No major issues have been reported so far.
- Dog Park: Bruce spoke to the owners of Franks Pizzeria and they aren't interested in leasing the land for that purpose.
- Request for resurfacing parking lot at Schadt park: The board needs to understand the cost of the desired changes before discussing further.

New business:

- Linda Prior, Rob Liva and Joe Gates attended the meeting to discuss the Silvis Pollination Station located on New Perspectives property near Linda's home. She has been granted permission from New Perspectives to use this land. The City of Silvis has committed to help maintain the land. Dave Hays has requested a schedule of exactly what needs to be done and when so that it can be worked into the other activities his team is responsible for maintaining. Rob said he will coordinate a schedule with Dave as we near the spring season. In addition to the work that Dave and his team will be doing, the group needs funds for the seeds. The expected cost is \$1000 for seeds. They would need the funds for next fall. Rob also needs \$1200 for a site prep fee from Rob. Dave and the grounds team need assistance at Phipps Prairie Park and Rob can help with prairie grass. The group will come to a future meeting with a more detailed request for consideration.
 - Bob Roman made a motion to fund \$750 to the Silvis Pollination Station. Bruce Nelson seconded the motion All ayes – motion carried. (The board recommends that she work with Dave to order seeds, other supplies and start a non-profit organization so that she can apply for grants.)

- Damon Bautista, the summer program director, shared that two of the supervisors won't be able to return for Summer 2019. The park board will run an ad to fill the vacancies. We expect the program to start on June 3rd and run through July 26th, but that is tentative until we confirm back to school dates.
- Reviewed new budget for 2020. Bob Roman made a motion to submit the budget as discussed. Motion seconded by Bruce Nelson. All ayes – motion carried.

Agenda for next meeting:

- Schadt Park concession stand
- Schadt Park parking lot
- Friendship Park Storage Shed

Bob Roman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 pm. Motion seconded by Chris Baker. All ayes – motion carried.

Minutes by Carrie Toland