

September 7th, 2022

President Wahlig called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Attending were President Wahlig, Vice President Selman, Members Poor, Adams, and Carpenter. Also attending was Event Coordinator Tabitha Griva, Superintendent Hanna, Special Guest Councilman Dave Martin.

The minutes of the August 3rd, 2022, meeting was approved with a motion by Member Carpenter and seconded by Vice President Selman. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Mason Dixon Line Concert- Event Coordinator Griva said it was good turnout for being on the evening of Angola's first home football game. Griva reported \$281.00 was made on concessions. Hanna said he guessed a crowd of around 300 people attended. President Wahlig asks if it's possible to obtain the sports schedules ahead of time. Hanna said that we book the concerts so far in advance, the school does not have that available.

NEW BUSINESS

American History Fest- Hanna explained we've discussed expectations earlier in the year and have not heard anything from them since. Hanna noted that he appreciated seeing them bring the schools back last year and will again this year. Griva reported it was Sept 23,24, and 25th this year.

Trail Lighting- Hanna explained Councilman Olson wanted to check back in with the board on trail lighting. Hanna informed the Board in the past, more trail lighting has been a conversation, due to security measures along the trail. Hanna explained between Harcourt Rd and Walmart has been a concern of being a dark area going through the woods. That land was recently the conversation of be donated to the park by the business formerly Evolution. Hanna stated he believed it was still in the works on obtaining ownership of the land. Hanna explained it would be great for doing a few projects and putting the lights up in that section of the trail. Matt explained a lot of parks were going to solar lights and it was something he would like to investigate instead of burying wire. Member Carpenter agreed clearing bushes back and putting lights in was a good idea. Veryl questioned if City Council would be willing to help and be involved on the safety aspect. Hanna answered Carpenter it would be something that could be asked.

2023 Budget- Hanna reported the budget was presented to council last night and a work session was scheduled for next Wednesday, Hanna asked the board if they had any questions regarding the budget. Member Adams questioned the travel expense. Hanna explained the event school Nina went to in the past in West Virginia, was very informative. Hanna stated Griva showed interest and she will be attending the event school in January. Member Adams questioned the park equipment. Hanna replied it was higher than normal for the purchase of a skid loader and the annual mower trade-in as well. Vice President Selman made a motion to approve 2022 budget, Member Poor seconded the motion. All were in favor.

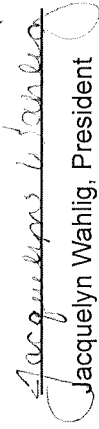
Easter Bunny Costume- Griva mentioned that Vice President Selman wanted the Parks to look into a new Easter Bunny costume before next year. Griva said she had printed off a few examples, if the board wanted to decide which costume they liked best. They chose one and Griva said she would order it.

OTHER BUSINESS

YMCA Partnership- Hanna mentioned Councilman Martin set a meeting up with himself and Wade Stiefken, the incoming president of the YMCA Board. Hanna had a list of questions and concerns that he asked Wade and forwarded those to the Board by email. Hanna asked the board if they had any questions on the email. Hanna said he would like to give the YMCA an answer soon on our anticipated involvement in maintaining the new community park. Member Poor questioned if there was an upside of not having ownership of the project. Hanna said the upside of not owning it would be that the park could walk away if needed. Vice President Selman stated if we could work with the lawyers and know exactly what we are getting into and making sure we will have the money for a new employee she would enjoy seeing this happen. Vice President Selman said Angola needs a park on that side of town, here is the opportunity and we need to be a part of it. President Wahlig questioned if we were to be put in a contract would it be an annual contract. Hanna answered he had done some research regarding other municipalities that have had partnerships with YMCA's. He said most of the contracts there was a clause to give written notice to get out of the agreement one year prior, to give the other party time to budget in the future. Hanna stated a very specific agreement with the YMCA is a must have in this situation and the ability for the park board to make the call to continue in the future with the direction of City council if it can or cannot be done. Hanna mentioned the YMCA has offered a YMCA board spot to someone from the park so we could be part of any decision making. He said he thinks that would be a very good thing. President Wahlig suggested when a contract is being made it needs to mention, if the parks are involved it needed to be free per request of the Sheets family. Hanna replied any kind of availability, rates, times would all be mentioned in the contract. Member Poor asked if the splash pad would have availability to be rented out for private party. Hanna answered that the timing wouldn't work for it to be a rental, because the splash pad would want to be rented during times it's available to the public. Griva asked if a pavilion was going to be at the splash pad. Hanna

answered we've only seen pictures. He said if we decided to commit, they may let us be more involved with the design or decision making when it came to the landscape and layout. President Wahlig asked if our lawyer and their lawyer could start a rough draft. Hanna answered it would be the next move if we decided to commit to the project. Special guest Martin explained to the Board we need to establish a value to the YMCA when it comes to labor and numbers and coming up with an agreement. He said we need to get an answer back to the YMCA because they will have more fundraising to do. He stated we would not pay them any money until they had all their funding, and their program eventually starts. Martin explained he felt confident that a five-year contract to decide if this project was maintainable or not. Martin explained to the Board the YMCA would like to have funds set aside for future capital expenses. He said the small things would be covered by the park, the larger items you capitalize, which would be coming from the endowment funds. He said a dollar amount from the parks should be announced to help with any kind of fundraising that will be happening. President Wahlig asked Martin at what point do you consider something as a capital expense. Martin stated that it should all be figured coming up with dollar amounts and a joint agreement before using the endowment. Martin said he also thinks in the contract it should mention if something were to financially happen to the YMCA the park would be able to take ownership of the community park. Member Veryl questioned if something where to financially happen to the YMCA and they owed someone else money, could the splash pad be affected. Martin answered that a lien could not be taken against the park. President Wahlig asked the board if they would agree to move forward and start getting things on paper. Member Adams mentioned she didn't want to see the existing parks suffer by taking on this project. Member Poor explained we need to do something north of town and this project is the start. President Wahlig made a motion to support the YMCA project subject to a written agreement favorable to board members and financing available through the city park budget. Member Carpenter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

No further business, Meeting adjourns 11:11 am.



Jacquelyn Wahlig, President



Matt Hanna, Secretary