



MINUTES
MANSFIELD PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
April 20, 2022

Present: Earl Hawkins
Mandy Little
Emerson Pendleton
Roseann Knechtel – Secretary

Absent: Paul Greer
Zolton Potovszky

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Secretary called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Little

THAT the agenda be approved as amended to include item 5.2 Pickleball Courts.

CARRIED.

3. PREVIOUS MEETINGS MINUTES

Moved by Pendleton and Seconded by Little

THAT the minutes of February 28, 2022 be approved.

CARRIED.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS - NONE

5. ADMINISTRATION

5.1 Mansfield Community Park

User Fee Report

Members received the report outlining the projected costs for the 2022 baseball season based on the approved rate increase for the Adult Men's League.

2022 Wage Budget

The Secretary provided a verbal update on the projected 2022 wage budget and hiring of two public works students.

Pitching Mound Quotes

The Committee received the report from Public Works outlining two options available for the repair of the pitching mound.

Moved by Pendleton and Seconded by Hawkins

THAT the Mansfield Parks Committee recommend Option #1 and request the purchase REDIKIT materials for repair of the pitching mound to be completed internally by staff as soon as possible;

AND THAT the Committee request the Township maintain a clay supply at the park for general repairs and maintenance.

CARRIED.

Cycling Station Installation

Members discussed potential locations of the bike stands. Members are in support of the cycling infrastructure being installed by the Cenotaph and recommended the Township consult with the Mansfield Women's Institute prior to installation.

5.2 Thomson Trail Park

Outdoor Ice Rink

The Secretary provided a verbal update on the end of season meeting with rink volunteer and outlined the requests and recommendation put forward by the community for the 2022-2023 season. Members discussed options to divide hockey and skating including dividing the rink, creation of a new rink, or amending designated times.

Moved by Little and Seconded by Pendleton

THAT The Mansfield Park Committee receive the comments and suggestions from the volunteers of the Thomson Trail Ice Rink;

AND THAT the Committee recommend the Township maintain a single rink and amend signage to remove dedicated hockey and skating times;

AND FURTHER THAT the Committee recommend the Township only consider the creation a cross rink dividing wall or secondary skating rink at such time that greater complaints are received.

CARRIED.

Cycling Station Infrastructure

The Committee reviewed and supported the proposed locations of benches and bike stand put forward by staff.

Pickleball Courts

The Committee discussed the feasibility or creating a pickleball court on the Thomson Trail basketball court. Concerns were raised regarding rental of the recreation equipment and completing use of the basketball court.

Moved by Pendleton and Seconded by Little

THAT the Committee does not support the development of pickleball courts on the Thomson Trail Park basketball courts at this time;

AND THAT the Committee recommend pickleball courts be located at the NDCC;

AND THAT the Committee recommend staff apply for grants for the creation of stand-alone pickleball courts in Mansfield.

CARRIED.

5.3 Maes Cres Park - None

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Council Motion

7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

7.1 Charity Ball Tournament

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Hawkins and Seconded by Little

THAT the Committee adjourns the meeting at 4:15 p.m. to meet again on Wednesday June 22, 2022 at 3:00 p.m., or at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED.