

INDEPENDENCE USD #446 RECREATION COMMISSION

Monthly Meeting January 20, 2021

Ash Youth Center

1501 N. 10th

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Christy Mavers
Ron Goins
Tony Turner
Tony Holmes
Joe Cooley

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brent Julian
Lori Bromley
Nick McBride
Jim Butts

Christy Mavers opened the teleconference commission meeting at 11:29 a.m.

ROUTINE

Agenda

The agenda was amended to add D. New Sports Complex Report to II. Business/Finance. Tony Turner moved to approve the agenda as amended. Ron Goins seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Minutes

Joe Cooley moved to approve the board minutes from the December 16, 2020 board meeting. Tony Holmes seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Bills

Ron Goins moved to approve the January 2021 bills and checks for payment in the amount of \$18,151.63 as well as the bills and employee benefits paid since the last board meeting in the amount of \$16,634.86. Tony Turner seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Treasurer's Report

Brent Julian presented the treasurers report during Galen Palmer's absence. Brent reported the following bank balances as of December 31, 2020: First Oak Bank – Checking: \$9,618.13; First Oak Bank – Petty Cash: \$500.00; and Equity Bank – Savings: \$151,585.34. Ron Goins moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Joe Cooley seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

BUSINESS/FINANCE

New Basketball Goals

Brent informed the commission that the new electronic basketball goals are now installed and running well. Brent stated going into the project he predicted a cost of close to \$25,000 and the final cost was

approximately \$14,500. Brent explained the basketball goals can rise and lower between 8 and 10 ft. and IRC is now ready for session II basketball. Ron Goins asked if there were any plans for side goals in the gym, however Brent stated that would be a complete re-do for a cost of at least \$30,000.00 so no immediate plans for that right now. Christy Mavericks asked Brent to get the word out on IRC social media sites informing the public that the new goals are installed.

Equipment Purchases Going Forward

Brent discussed some bids he has been gathering for maintenance equipment with the board members. Brent stated that Jim, IRC Maintenance Supervisor, needs a new mower as he is responsible for mowing the Ash Center grounds, Riverside Beach, and the Sports Complex on Park St. throughout the spring and summer months. Brent reminded the board that Jim's last mower was a Bad Boy brand, but he hasn't been very happy with its performance and prefers to go back to a Hustler model. Brent stated he has received a bid from Sandbaggers for a 29-HP Hustler with a 60" deck in the amount of \$8,499.00. Brent stated that Jim does not need the mower until spring so he will check with Sandbaggers on how long this bid will remain in good standing. Brent also mentioned to the board he could ask IHS to put the old Bad Boy mower in their next equipment auction so IRC could make some money back towards the new one. Brent notified the commission members the second item he is getting bids on is a new maintenance work truck. Brent recommended trading in the old, red 1996 Nissan, which might bring in \$300-\$500 trade-in value and passing the brown Ford truck on down to the summer field crew allowing Jim to drive the new one. Brent said they are just looking at the basic single cab trucks and the bids so far are \$38,500 from Quality Toyota, \$24,000 from Quality Motors, for either a Dodge or Ford F-150 model, and Romans did not give a bid as they do not carry basic models in stock. Brent requested the board deliberate on it and they could discuss again in February.

Next Project at Ash Center

Brent requested the board approve the painting on the Ash Center gymnasium ceiling as it has never been done and is extremely scuffed up and looks terrible. Brent would like the board to consider getting bids; so far he has only spoken to Pro-Ticular Painting here in town but no bids yet. Brent stated he realizes it is mostly cosmetic but would make a huge difference. Christy Mavericks agreed and stated since IRC has laid new tile, installed new goals and had the gym floor finished, a fresh ceiling would be nice. Tony Turner requested Brent look into purchasing a net for half court therefore allowing basketball practice and open gym to go on during pickle ball matches. Christy thought it was a good idea and Brent said he would get some prices. Christy also recommended looking into what it would cost to expand the gym and build on to the facility.

New Sports Complex

Brent informed that board that he had spoken to David Cowen, with the City of Independence, and city officials are meeting tomorrow to discuss the phases and financials for the new sports complex. Brent stated his main concern continues to be what funding and needs the city will request of the recreation commission. Brent stated there has been some delay due to the city having to go through FEMA and state agencies in order to proceed with the project, but hopefully we will find out more soon. Christy Mavericks asked Brent to please keep the board updated on any news.

Executive Session

There was no need for an Executive Session

Items from the Commission

Tony Holmes *asked how the indoor pool is running and Brent stated it is going well right now and staying busy with different programs.

Ron Goins *asked about the first payment to the city for Wayfinding signage and Brent stated the first payment has been made for \$4,500.

Agreement for Action on Items from the Commission

No agreement for action on items.

Adjournment

Ron Goins moved to adjourn the meeting. Tony Turner seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Christy Mavers adjourned the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tony Turner
Secretary