Minutes of a Meeting

Of the BROOKLYN RECREATION BOARD May 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Kevin Tanski.

Roll Called:

Kevin Tanski - Present
Alison Rafter - Present
Rebecca Byndas - Present
Ryan Kelber - Absent
Robert Hennings - Absent

Motion by Rafter and seconded by Byndas to approve the minutes dated, April 18, 2016:

Vote resulted:

Yes – Tanski, Rafter, Byndas Abstain –None No – None

Manager Mrs. Maria McGinty gave the following report:

Wrigley Field

We are working with the school for the baseball field. We will be getting \$15,000.00 for renovations. We need to move the backstop because it needs to be between 20- 25 feet. We thought of re-doing M-1 but decided to do Wrigley Field. We had the Guardian Group under state purchasing come out because we do not have to go out to bid and we can get it started by the Fall. We need to do the fence line, the backstop, and re-graded. Some of the work can be done in house. We have no hard numbers what it will cost but it should be between \$116,000.00 and \$150,000.00. The City of Brooklyn will have to put in money.

Zamboni Quote

Junior wants to take this to Council this Monday. It is already in our Capital Budget this year. There are only 2 reputable companies which are Zamboni and Olympia. Zamboni is under state purchasing so we would not have to go out to bid. A few years ago Olympia quoted \$150,000.00 and Zamboni is \$135,000.00 out the door and it is electric. There will be no natural gas or propane gas. We will keep the newer one which does run on natural and propane gas. We can get rid of the natural gas tank and just let the older one run on propane if we have to.

Splash Summer Flier

All the summer activities such as the Farmers Market, Learn to Skate, Learn to Swim and Camp Brooklyn. We want to send the fliers out to the schools before they break for summer.

Summer Recess

Last year the Board went through the end of June and took off for July and August. Kevin suggested suspending June, July, and August and if needed Maria can call a meeting sooner than September.

MOTION by Byndas, seconded by Rafter to suspend June, July, and August meetings:

Vote resulted:

Yes-Tanski, Rafter, Byndas No-None

Open Forum

Kevin asked about the Farmer's Market. We need vendors first before we can send out a flier. Alison asked how many vendors we want and Maria said between 5-10 at the beginning. We don't want all the same kind of food item. It will be on the front lawn starting June 28 through October 4 on Tuesdays. Kevin asked about the analysis 5 year report but it is not finished yet. Kevin talked about our Economical Developer Andy wanting to a make a Brooklyn Center from the school board to the Recreation Center. He wants the YMCA to include the Recreation Center. Maria said she was meeting tomorrow with the YMCA. Alison asked what focus that Council has with the Brooklyn Community. Kevin answered that there is a problem with the houses dropping in price. The City could buy these properties and sell them to families instead. We are in reverse instead of going forward. The devastation is moving west in Brooklyn. We need new ideas and things here. The Police Station is falling apart. The City could reduce the size of City Hall. This could help the Recreation Center. There was a dispute over the percent of people actually using the Recreation Center.

MOTION by Byndas, seconded by Rafter to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Vote resulted:

Yes-Tanski, Rafter, Byndas No-None

Tina J. Westfall

Secretary