

**CITY OF HANOVER
PARK BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2019 – OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Mat Boie called the Park Board meeting of January 22, 2019 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chair Mat Boie, Jeff Grupp, Dani Vetrano, Council Liaison Jim Zajicek and City Accountant / Deputy Clerk Jackie Heinz. Guests present were Joe Kaul, Scott Moore, Kris Christenson, Johnny Forsberg and Leslie Murphy. Absent was Scott Jamison.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Grupp to approve the Agenda, seconded by Vetrano. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Minutes from November 27, 2018

MOTION by Vetrano to approve the minutes from November 27, 2018, seconded by Grupp. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Open Forum:

Boie asked Park Board Applicants to each give a brief background about themselves.

Kris Christenson: Has lived in Hanover for 16 years. Would like to see a trail along 15th Street and help improve the trail system. Has volunteered as a Girl Scouts Leader, Relay for Life and the Hanover Harvest Festival.

Leslie Murphy: Has lived in Hanover for 17 years. She was raised as service being important, has been involved on pre-school and elementary school committees, am now shifting gears as children age. Would like to see a place / activity for teens and to get the community, kids and adults alike, out to the parks.

Johnathan Forsberg: Has lived in Hanover for 18 years. Uses EagleView Park the most. Would take this opportunity to meet people and branch out. Would like to see a dinner event take place on the historic bridge.

Mat thanked the applicants for applying and stated the Park Board is not only about the events, but also improvements to the existing parks. Zajicek stated the City has just revised their comprehensive plan, the money received from future developments will be used towards improving our parks amenities. Possibly looking at a Bandshell in the future, need to enhance our events and our parks.

Unfinished Business:

Winter Park Event

Vetrano suggested an open skate night. Boie stated a night skate could be hard with no lighting. Discussion continued around dates and timing of the event. Park Board consensus to hold the event “Skate the Parks” on Sunday, February 10th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at Cardinal Park, Mallard Park and the Hanover Athletic Skating Rink.

New Business:

Hanover Historical Society – Historical Bridge Lighting

Joe Kaul stated he is present on behalf of the Hanover Historical Society. He was contacted by Bruce Hoegger about adding architectural lighting to the historical bridge. He is presenting a donation to the city in the form of a lighting package for the historical bridge. Kaul stated Hoegger would fund the installation portion of the project and the city would incur the operating and maintenance costs. Kaul stated the State Historical Society has been contacted regarding how and if items can be attached to the bridge. Kaul also stated the proposed lights would be positioned the same as the current lights, with additional lights to illuminate the bridge deck.

Kaul further stated the lights could be set to certain colors for Holidays, sporting events i.e.: Vikings games or Wild games.

Scott Moore stated he has lived in Hanover for 9 years, he is employed as LightBulbs in Maple Grove as a Lighting Consultant, the company provides lighting for a wide variety of places from museums to special events. Moore provided an example of the component that would be installed on the bridge stating the bulbs are LED and will have 10 years of burn time. Moore further stated the package comes with preset events, events can also be added and changed as needed by Joe, Scott or a staff member could be trained. Grupp inquired what the range of colors is, Moore stated the range is endless, mood setting or dimming the lights is also available.

Vetrano asked about the timeline. Moore stated the components cannot alter or be drilled into the bridge, therefore a metal fabricator will need to create something. Kaul stated they would like to be at the March council meeting asking for approval from council, work would then start once the weather was good with a ribbon cutting ceremony in the fall. Grupp inquired if the components would be neutral in color to match the bridge and not be seen in the daylight. Moore stated the components could be painted in any color. Heinz asked what the replacement cost is per component. Moore stated cost is around \$200 - \$300 per component, there are currently 38 lights on the bridge and they would like to increase that to 45 – 50.

Grupp stated when the Bridgewater was built there were complaints from neighbors about the brightness of the lights, have residents who live near the bridge been addressed about this possible issue. Kaul stated the neighbors could be contacted, perhaps the bridge lights could be dimmed at 10:00 pm for the night as an option. Grupp inquired about warranty. Moore stated the typical length is 5 years, based on nightly usage it could be extended to 10 years.

Zajicek asked how the current lights are attached to the bridge, Kaul stated they're clipped. Zajicek also asked if photos or a video of a similar style bridge could be presented in the future, Moore stated yes.

MOTION by Grupp to move forward with finalizing the project and ask Joe and Scott to return at the February Park Board meeting with specific information regarding warranty, operations, component coloring and future costs, seconded by Vetrano. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Easter Egg Hunt

Heinz stated the Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 20th of this year. Would like to have the eggs down and available to be taken at the February Park Board meeting. Grupp stated he will inquire if there are students who need volunteer hours who could help stuff the eggs with candy. Grupp further stated he will pick up the candy. Zajicek inquired who would be the Easter Bunny, Grupp stated he will contact Mary and Vonnie Waters.

Reports:

Zajicek

- Alternate members for the different boards was discussed at the last council meeting. If a member knew of an upcoming absence there would be someone to fill in, would always have a quorum.

Adjournment:

MOTION by Grupp to adjourn at 8:50 p.m., seconded by Vetrano. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ATTEST:

Jaclyn Heinz, Accountant/Deputy Clerk