

**CITY OF HANOVER  
PARK BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 23, 2021 – OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Jeff Grupp called the Park Board meeting of March 23, 2021 to order at 7:07 p.m. Present were Jeff Grupp, Scott Jamison, Dani Vetran and Accountant Jackie Heinz. Absent was Leslie Murphy, Alex Holslin and Council Liaison MaryAnn Hallstein. No guests were present.

**New Member Introduction and Oath of Office:**

The Oath of Office was stated by Jamison.

**Approval of Agenda:**

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

**Approval of Minutes from February 23, 2021 Meeting**

**MOTION** by Jamison to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Vetrano. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Open Forum:**

None

**Unfinished Business:**

**Easter Egg Hunt: April 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 10 am**

Heinz stated the three ball fields could be used to help separate the age groups and keep the eggs farther apart. She has talked with Stan from the Athletic Association and will allow the use of their two fields. Grupp stated they currently have 10 days to fill roughly 6,000 eggs, or fill bags. Vetrano inquired if egg hunts were happening in other cities. Grupp stated some have been cancelled, stating the Easter Bunny is in hibernation, but some are happening. Vetrano inquired what the other cities are doing, will residents drive thru and go elsewhere. Grupp stated to have the Easter bunny and advertise with the Bunny bags. Vetrano inquired about volunteers to help lay out the eggs. Grupp stated the most difficult part will be stuffing all the eggs in time. Jamison inquired if they eggs could be filled in 10 days. Jamison suggested going with the bags at this point due to timing.

Vetrano inquired what happens if it rains, Grupp stated could do a drive thru at public works. Jamison suggested starting at 8 am and do a mad dash. Heinz stated the event has been from 10-11 am in previous years. Grupp stated he has a bench for pictures, and to plan the event for 10-11 am to pick up a grab bag and get pictures with the Easter Bunny. Vetrano stated the bunny bag will have a pencil, stamper or stickers, candy and cookies. Grupp suggested using the leftover gift cards from the previous year and to advertise the bag on Facebook. Vetrano suggested including coupons on some of the bags for the larger basket prizes. Grupp inquired how many, Vetrano stated 10. Grupp also suggested a golden rabbit ticket.

Vetrano stated she is anticipating double the number from the pumpkin event. Grupp stated is will depend on parents and the weather and inquired how many participated in previous years. Vetrano stated 350 – 400 participated. Grupp suggested sending the extra bags to the Crow River Senior Center. Grupp suggested stuffing 250 bags and extras can be made on site if needed.

### **Medallion Hunt**

Jamison stated cash prizes aren't allowed and it was an idea to get people out to the parks more. Grupp stated the Passport to the Park event didn't work and suggested tabling the Medallion Hunt for now. Jamison suggested going to different parks to receive a stamp. Grupp stated the state parks do a similar thing. Grupp suggested doing a grand opening with the installation of the two new tot lots. Vetrano suggested serving ice cream sandwiches with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Grupp suggested Facebook announcements to help build up the new tot lots. Consensus to table the Medallion Hunt.

### **New Business:**

#### **Bike Rodeo: May 22 from 9:30 – 11:30 am**

Grupp stated the event would take place at City Hall. Heinz stated the Hall and Shelter are blocked off for the event. Grupp stated Mat Boie is willing to help with bike tune-ups, free helmets would be available and have a course set up. Grupp further stated he purchased stop watches for timing. Vetrano suggested checking with Mat on how many stations and the layout of the course.

### **Reports:**

#### **Heinz**

- The Hanover Harvest Festival will be taking place on Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>
- The FYCC flyer was approved this week with the current Park Board Events.

#### **Grupp**

- Inquired about a second concert in the park. Bryce Hegge costs \$100.00 per hour and has performed at The Liberty. Discussion continued regarding food vendors and timing.

### **Adjournment:**

**MOTION** by Jamison to adjourn at 7:46 p.m., seconded by Vetrano. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ATTEST:

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Jackie Heinz, Accountant