

**CITY OF HANOVER
PARK BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2020 – OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Jeff Grupp called the Park Board meeting of September 22, 2020 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chair Jeff Grupp, Scott Jamison, Alex Holslin, Council Liaison Jim Zajicek and City Administrator Brian Hagen. Members Dani Vetrano and Leslie Murphy were absent. No guests were present.

Approval of Agenda:

Holslin requested a discussion on dog waste disposal options along the trails. Discussion was added as 6.c.

MOTION by Jamison to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Holslin. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Minutes from August 25, 2020

MOTION by Holslin to approve the minutes from August 25, 2020, seconded by Jamison. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Open Forum:

None

Unfinished Business:

Pumpkin Decorating Event – October 10th

Grupp indicated Rutgers are able to provide 100-120 pumpkins but some may have slight hail damage. Jamison stated Big Bore BBQ will donate some kids meals as prizes. Grupp stated River Inn is also willing to provide prizes as well. Grupp stated five prizes per age group. The event is scheduled for October 10th in the form of a drive through pickup of the pumpkin and decorating materials. The pickup location would be the Public Works Facility. Hagen reviewed the process for picture submittal and awarding prizes.

Concert in the Park 2021 with Mitch Gordan

Grupp updated the group and stated Mitch Gordan is available either August 6th or 27th in 2021. Hagen noted that the Harvest Festival is August 7th, and the organization puts in a lot of work to setup for the event. They expressed concern about the City holding a concert in the park the night prior citing setup and cleanup efforts along with a concern of shifting visitor involvement away from the one-day event of the actual Harvest Festival. Hagen further referenced that Big Bore BBQ has shared their idea to host a live band the Friday before the Harvest Festival and felt it may not be beneficial to compete against a local business for concert goers.

No decision on date was determined.

New Business:

Pheasant Park Visit

This item did not occur. Hagen did inform the group that the tot lot equipment has been ordered and Public Works plans to install next spring. Hagen further stated that the City would work with JP Brooks, developer of River's Edge of Hanover to open up the berm to create a more welcoming approach to Pheasant Run Park. This would be subject to plat approval of River's Edge of Hanover.

Historic Bridge Lighting Schedule

The group reviewed a recommended lighting schedule to be referenced in a lighting policy. The Group recommends the following schedule:

- New Year's Eve/Day – sparkle, twinkle, firework visual
- February 14 – Red, White
- May 31 through July 4 – Red, White, Blue
- Harvest Festival Week – Match logo colors
- September 11 – Red, White, Blue
- November 11 – Red, White, Blue
- Month of December – Multi colored for the Holiday's season
- Recognize local school districts when a team makes it to state (B.H.M. Schools, STMA, Rockford)

MOTION by Holslin to recommend the above referenced lighting schedule, seconded by Jamison. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Dog Waste Containers

Holslin indicated that it was suggested to him that the City install dog waste containers along the trail system. Discussion noted that there are garbage cans along the trails already and people should be conscious enough to bring along dog waste bags.

Reports:

None

Adjournment:

MOTION by Jamison to adjourn at 7:51 p.m., seconded by Holslin. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ATTEST:

Brian Hagen, City Administrator