

PARK20181003-1
UNAPPROVED

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson James Schara at 6:30 p.m.

Excused - Scott King

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS - None

Update on the Willowbrooke Park Playground; and Action Thereon

Glenn Herold mentioned that it would be a good idea to place the picnic tables in a shaded area.

Discuss Forestry Operations Seven Year Budget Plan; and Action Thereon

Director Hilvo explained that he has been preparing his budget presentation. He went through the seven year budget plan document and explained it to the Board. He is also recommending leasing some equipment, instead of buying it for budgetary and efficiency reasons. With the use of this equipment, it will only require two staff members to take down a tree, instead of the five people it currently takes.

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Council Member Rick Verhaalen inquired about who would do vehicle maintenance on the leased equipment and Director Hilvo said we would have to do our own vehicle maintenance. He also asked if the pay to plant a tree program has started and Director Hilvo said it has and that there are already a few tree requests ordered.

Paul Rushing suggested that the equipment be purchased instead of leased because it may benefit the City when they are done using it and ready to sell. He also suggested that due to demand in this industry, this could be the smart move to make.

Council Member Rick Verhaalen asked about the efficiency numbers for this piece of equipment and Director Hilvo said he would do research and get these numbers put together for him.

REPORTS

Director Hilvo reported on the Adlai Horn Park project, City entrance sign, removing downtown flowers, winterizing parks and the Mayor's Enhancement Award for flower beds.

Superintendent Anderson gave updates on the Polar Express event, volleyball, flag football, youth soccer, pool reports, basketball, softball, and the pickleball tournament. She also mentioned that the Parks and Recreation Department will be working with Festivals, Library and Senior Center on more combined programming.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Glenn Herold, seconded by Dave Polacek, to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. Motion carried without a negative vote with Scott King excused.

Danny Friess
Recreation Supervisor