

## Woodside Park Commission Meeting of May 5, 2020

Meeting was a phone meeting and Cathie was running late, meeting called to order at 1904-ish.

Members present – David, Doug, Jared, Starla and Cathie

Also present was Caretaker Steve

No public for comment.

Everyone was emailed minutes to our last meeting, these were reviewed. Starla made motion to approve, seconded by Doug. Minutes approved.

Starla made a treasurer's report – only outstanding bill is for Consumers which is \$44.86. Balance is \$9,048.22. Motion made by Cathie, seconded by David to approve Treasurer's report.

Motion made by Starla, seconded by Doug to pay bills –

Roll call David – Yes, Doug – Yes, Jared – Yes, Starla – Yes, Cathie – Yes

Bills will be paid.

David informs us we are running the park in accordance with Midland County Parks and Recreation Guidelines. This means the gate is open for cars to park and use the walking path. The restrooms remain closed and the water is not available to the outside spigot. Also, the play areas and exercise equipment is cordoned off.

Old Business –

The park is open only to get cars off the road.

Steve and Jill did get some trees cut up – Jordan's will probably take care of it, per Starla.

There are also some trees down on the nature trail – these will be taken care of soon.

The smaller mower is at Cendant for service – Steve will be checking on this in the coming days as they have had it for 3 weeks.

As far as a new mower – we have done extensive research and will be dealing with Gene's in Coleman. While the Exmark is about \$3000 more than a Cub Cadet, the Exmark has a much better review than the Cub Cadet as the Cub Cadet with a mower deck has only been out about a year. There really is not enough data for us to feel safe in purchasing a Cub Cadet over the Exmark. The Exmark also gives municipalities a \$3000 discount. In addition to most of the big landscape businesses in Midland using the Exmark, the Woodside Park Board of Commissioners feel the Exmark is the one to purchase. This recommendation will be made to the Township Board at their next meeting.

The Annual Park Picnic is pending as of now – we just don't have enough information to go ahead with it right now.

David has done a walk through and we have set up a work day for May 30 at 10:00 a.m.

We have discussed a fuel tank to try to save a few \$\$ on mileage and road tax, however per recent research, it will cost at least \$3000 to get this even started. Doug still has a tank he is willing to donate and we will be checking on that but currently the fuel tank is pending for now.

We had discussed new trash cans for the pavilions and Cathie will check on that this coming week.

Steve notes that the park dumpster is full. David will mention this to Andy who will probably call Republic to get this taken care of.

On playground equipment – the tire swing needs to be replaced and Starla did some checking on that – found that per the equipment sales catalog a new one would cost around \$3000. In looking at Lowe's, we find we can get one for under \$100, which is the route we will take. We also need to replace the basketball hoop – suggestion was made to get one with a spring so that it would be less likely to break if someone were to hang from it – David will look into purchasing one before the 30<sup>th</sup> so we can get it replaced at our work day.

Last call for anything else -----

Doug made motion to adjourn, seconded by Starla  
We all said goodnight and disconnected our phones at 1945.

Respectfully,  
Cathie J. Kissler, Secretary  
Woodside Park Commission

