

**CITY OF EYOTA
PARK BOARD MINUTES
November 8th, 2017**

Present: Members: Jacob Robinson, Jake Schleusner, Kevin Kullot, Kim Horn, Dom Kellen
Council Reps: Tyrel Clark, Kurt Holst Secretary: Kathie Hall

Guest: Iris Neumann, Farmers Market manager

Call to Order: Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approve the Agenda: Motion was made by Kullot and seconded by Robinson to approve the agenda. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Approve the Minutes: Motion was made by Schleusner and seconded by Kullot to approve the minutes as presented of the October 11th, 2017 meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Tree board: Iris Neumann presented her ideas for tree planting and replacement, specifically for Freedom Park. She showed a diagram and explained a listing and placement of trees for shade and greenery with pine trees for a wind break and for color in the winter. Iris and the Park Board discussed in detail a possible plan for Freedom Park, which included disposing of some larger ash trees and planting new trees, possibly, in the boulevard area along Center Avenue. No specific design was decided on. Motion was made by Kullot and seconded by Kellen to approve Iris to come up with a three to four year tree plan for Freedom Park. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Matrix Park Structure: Discussion focused on where to install this park structure. At the October meeting Freedom Park was mentioned but now considering West Side Park which would have more room to accommodate it. Placement ideas included constructing it where the train structure is and move the train to another area. Since the fall zone for this structure is a 40' circumference, putting it where the train currently is would require the current landscaping to connect with new, so mowing this area would be easier. Some questions needing answers are; is it possible to move the train, if so how much would it cost?

Park & Maintenance: Hall read the public works updates which included; caboose doors have been installed; Freedom Park Dugout Benches are installed; park restrooms are closed and winterized for the season; Ice Rink warming shed is clean and ready for use. Hall noted that the letter of intent was sent for Transportation Alternatives Solicitation Grant.

Sunset Park Event Pavilion: Clark gave an update on the Pavilion. He has met with Bremer Bank regarding funding and Eyota Days Committee will be making a donation of \$7,500. The total cost could be in the range of \$250,000. To have it convert to be fully enclosed in the winter would require installing a sprinkler system, so other options for enclosure will be necessary to research. Utilities are close for future bathrooms water/sewer/electric. Park Board should think of other options for funding.

Other Business:

- a. **Park Fee Schedule:** Decision was made to keep the park fee schedule the way it is. Motion was made by Kullot and seconded by Robinson to keep the current fee schedule. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

- b. **EZ Ice Product:** Hall explained the EZ Ice information that was received by City Hall. Being that the item would be portable to set up anywhere, the Board is interested and asked for an inquiry to see if this could be set up on gravel, which is the current condition of the ice rink area right now. Hall will get a hold of EZIce to ask that question and also email the link of the set-up to the Park Board to view.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Kullot and seconded by Kellen to adjourn. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.

Kathie Hall

Kathie Hall, Accounting Clerk, Park Board Secretary