

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOONE CITY PARKS COMMISSION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

Sherry called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

1. Roll Call: Members present: John Niemants, David Sherry, and Susan Thorngren. Absent: Amy Landas and Kevin Pearson
Also present: Mike Cornelis, Cherie Angstrom
2. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Niemants to approve the agenda, seconded by Thorngren. All Ayes.
3. Presentation of Petitions & Other Communication:
4. Approval of previous meeting minutes: Motion by Niemants to approve the minutes seconded by Thorngren. All Ayes.
5. Approval of monthly bills: Motion to approve the monthly bills made by Niemants seconded by Thorngren. All Ayes.
6. Public Comment for items not on agenda: Heath Hove introduced himself as the president of Boone National Little League. Hove said the upcoming season will be the 70th anniversary of Little League and is looking forward to working with the Park Commission.

Parks

Alliant Energy	Utilities	1,887.52
Arnold Motor Supply	Repairs/Equipment Maint	12.18
Arnold Motor Supply	Repairs/Equipment Maint	41.93
Boland Recreation	Park Equipment	5,500.00
Boland Recreation	Park Equipment	9,500.00
Bomgaars	Equipment	51.89
Bomgaars	Repairs/Equipment Maint	.70
Bomgaars	Clothing Allowance	138.71
Boone Ace Hardware	Equipment	102.97-
Boone Ace Hardware	Buildings & Grounds	22.99
Boone Ace Hardware	Equipment	27.99
Bradley Rholl	Telephone	19.00
CenturyLink	Telephone	85.21
Heartland Tire & Auto	Repairs/Equipment Maint	25.00
Ogden Telephone	Utilities	74.95
Outdoor Image	Urban Forestry	1,000.00
Portable Pro	Buildings & Grounds	255.00
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Portable Pro	Buildings & Grounds	255.00
R & W Power	Urban Forestry	17.99
TA's Tree Service	Urban Forestry	400.00
Walters Sanitary Service Inc	Buildings & Grounds	150.67

Cemetery

Arnold Motor Supply	Repairs/Equipment	81.99
Bomgaars	Repairs/Equipment	56.97
Bomgaars	Equipment/Cemetery	18.98
Condon's Services LTD	Grave Openings	365.00
Dakota Supply Group	Build/Grounds	205.31
Kallin Johnson Monument Co	Grave Openings	340.00
Kallin Johnson Monument Co	Build/Grounds	400.00
Portable Pro	Build/Grounds	90.00
Seth Janssen	Telephone	19.00

Pool

Midwest Quality Wholesale	Supplies	50.86
Midwest Quality Wholesale	Pool Concession Supplies	218.17
Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc	Swimming Pool Improvements	85,367.36

7. Old Business: McHose Park – Rainbow Bridge proposal – Stephanie and Joe Hunt are proposing a “Rainbow Bridge” to be put in McHose Park. Mr. Hunt presented a petition with over 100 signatures from the community in support of the project. He also said the original plan was to use an existing bridge in the park, but it is regularly used for photos and didn’t want to change the looks of the existing bridge. A new plan would be to construct a new bridge in the park, possibly near the Canine Corral dog park. Commissioner Sherry said a new plan would need to be presented showing what they are planning to construct, where, dimensions and other related information. It was also suggested putting it in the local pet cemetery as an alternative location. No decision will be made until the new plan is presented.
8. New Business:
- A. Pool Upgrade – The municipal pool in McHose Park is 32 years old and in need of a major update. The filtering system has a projected lifespan of 35 years and will need to be updated soon as well as the pipes in the pump room. Other possible improvements could be adding a lazy river, putting in a splash pad, and other additional amenities. Sherry said we would need to work with a pool design company to obtain prices for different levels of improvements. The costs could be well over 1 million dollars and would require a bond to be able to cover the cost. Sherry will contact some pool design companies and set up a time to meet and get approximate costs.
- B. Pool and Park Shelter rate increases for 2025 – Pool manager Darci Newcomb would like to increase prices for pool parties and she also would like to change the pricing for pool passes, either lowering the single passes or increasing the family pass price. Newcomb will have a proposed list of increases at the December meeting.
- Prices for park shelter rentals were discussed and it was proposed increasing the shelter rental rates by \$20 for each and raising the price for scout rental weekends from \$75 to \$100. Cornelis will have a resolution to approve the shelter rental increases ready for the December meeting.
- C. Tree Permit for planting trees in the parking – the moratorium has been lifted allowing residents to once again plant trees in the parking. There is a process to follow starting with an application and approval from the Urban Forester verifying the planting of approved trees and proper placement.
9. Superintendent/Director’s Report – Cornelis is looking into replacing the current lights in the Pool parking lot area with LED lights and updating the electrical box for the softball fields. Once the box is finished, a fence will be put up to keep it safe. Benches for Franklin Park will be ordered through the park department and reimbursed by the Park Foundation.
10. Commissioner’s Report – Thorngren received notice from community input the flags in our parks are not lighted at night. Thorngren and Cornelis will research pricing to find affordable options. Thorngren also would like the parks department to consider purchasing a stump grinder for city use to grind stumps in the parks.
11. Adjournment – Niemants made a motion for adjournment seconded by Thorngren. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Commission Secretary _____

Commission President _____

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING ON DECEMBER 9TH, 2024 AT 7 PM