

Minutes Vergas Parks & Rec Advisory Board

3:00 pm 6/27/2024 Government Services Building, Main Street Vergas

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherri Hanson, Chuck Hanson, Steph Hogan, Tony Sailer, Mike Dufrane, Dean Haarstick, Julie Lammers

ABSENT: Maggie Puetz

OTHERS PRESENT: Shannon Charpentier & Ann Richard's from pickle ball committee and Brenda and Paul Dellanava concerning raffle

MINUTES: No changes. Motion made to approve by Hogan, seconded by Sailor, and approved.

PCKLE BALL COMMITTEE: We received their minutes.

Problems with fencing: Solution was bigger ties. Fixed.

Hairline cracks: They have a plan.

Plan for turf problem around courts: WCI got more money and getting estimates.

Rules for new players posted and rating system guidelines online.

Courts new paddle holders.

Schedule: 8-12 open, Tues ladies' night, Wed. Round Robin's after open.

Security Cameras are the cheapest. They see out 6-8 ft. Are there to protect the building and you need to plug in a monitor to view. The problem is there is no internet at that location. Camera alone to upgrade would be \$400. The solution would be to have the city split the cost and tie camera into city system.

RAFFLE IDEAS: Paul and Brenda Dellanava are doing the two raffles in Vergas. The raffles are for guns and would raise \$50,000 in total, The tickets have been printed and are ready for sale. Lammers will have them available in her office Monday July 1st. We need to help dispersing. One of the raffles is for Pickle ball update and other is for Loon Park Bath, stage, and kitchen project. The drawing will be on September 2, 2024. Raffle is done through T.I.P. and there is \$15,000 worth of guns. Shannon will work to get someone to sell pickle ball raffle tickets.

BASEBALL COMMITTEE: The new clay has been put in and the Vergas Loons team will take care of getting nets up. Water pipes burst in the 3rd base area. Discovered whole line burst. The water was shut off, but someone turned back on and flooding. Needs to dry out and will be repaired after Looney Days.

We need recommendation to Use field for Hairy man September 28th.

The council returned the naming of the fields to the Park Advisory Board. The understanding is that field is named and the field name is Henry Hanson field, and the little league field is Fred Meyer. The board liked idea of leaving names but putting in a plaque to recognize Jerry Johnson and his work on maintaining fields. Sherri will research names and the baseball committee will get plaque estimates.

WATER SKI TEAM: No Report but they are there.

WIDSETH OUTDOOR GRANT AND PARK MASTER PLAN:

Raising funds for a new bathhouse has begun. Venmo donations have raised \$110.00 and there is about \$100 in donations in the box at the liquor store.

CITY WORKER UPDATE: Lions paid for beach work being done. Bath house needs to dim lights at night because bugs are a problem. Harry man has been moved closer to the park's restrooms. Jerry said Frazee would give lime for ball field. Someone broke the remote for the scoreboard. The antenna on the control box is lost.

SWIM LESSONS: They did not receive grants to pay for swim Lessons this year, so families need to pay. Lion's paid for Vergas Beach permit.

BUDGET: Time to think about 2025 budget.

Next Meeting: July 25th at 3 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Hogan made motion to adjourn, Sailor seconded it, motion passed.

Minutes submitted by Steph Hogan

FOLLOW UP: Take to City Council a request to use the ball field for Hairyman, SEPT. 28.