



**East Moline Park Board
Minutes
March 12, 2019**



Stombaugh called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the East Moline City Hall Annex.

Roll Call: Present: Ald. Almblade, C.Braggs, R. Cervantes, K. Layman, G. Lowery, B. Rusch, M. Spencer B.Stombaugh

Absent: , D. Kannenberg,

Guests: Theresa Martin- EM Exec. Secretary ; Dave Lambrecht-Maintenance Supervisor

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve February minutes made by Lowery, Seconded by Braggs, All in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Theresa Martin advised Finance is working to get bleachers cost into 2018 budget as desired by board. The only money that board has recommendations on is the Capital Fund, There was \$20,000.00 in this fund and there is discussion where the cost of the fences at the park will be assigned. Mission of Park board is to advise Maintenance Dept on desired improvements and priorities.

Reports from Partnering Organizations: EMSSC, Marcilla O'Brien reports:

We have closed Spring registration. We had 193 new children sign up for this spring. Our Rec program is close to 500 players. We will be at the Jacobs Park on March 23rd getting the fields ready for play if the weather cooperates. Our season will start on April 7th. We have purchased more goals to use at the back fields with our Rec program. We will be holding group practices and skills sessions for our Rec teams on these fields.

We have almost 60 teams registered for our Spring Tournament and believe we may have 70 by the time registration closes. We are excited by the number of teams registered and believe moving the date of the tournament is the reason. The tournament will be held the last weekend of April. Our club has decided to make a donation to a local charity from the proceeds of our tournament. We will be making a donation to Foster Voice at 12pm on April 28th at the tournament. The Park Board is invited to stop down during the tournament.

My last official meeting will be March 18th. I am stepping down from the board. Jill Colgan will take over as Director. I will assist the club with the transition. I was on the board for over 12 years and am very excited at how much EMSSC has accomplished. I would like to thank the Park Board and the City for all of their support. We have had a great partnership and I hope this will continue for many more years.

Old Business

- 1) **Jacobs Park Facilities Manager Position** T. Martin advised Steve Huges has accepted position for field maintenance and scheduling. His degree is in that area and works on High School diamonds. Respect Abilities will be handling concessions. Tracy from last year will assist to open concessions and get them ready for business. Contracts in process. There are several tournaments scheduled with two in March. More possible. Requested that Park board defer all field scheduling to Facilities Manager. Discussions with a local team resulted in previously unknown demands and requests that can't be promised or honored.
- 2) **Funding Opportunities** T. Martin advised an application for a baseball grant of \$500,000.00 found by Rusch was filled out and submitted. Also advised Bi-State will work to complete a Living Lands grant. AARP also has a small Community Challenge Grants available. Applications due April 17 that Finance Dept is working on. Brian looking to upgrade Butterworth Park with ADA restrooms. Lambrecht advised of a tennis court grant available.
- 3) **Other- Aldridge Center Summer Lunch Program:** Cervantes reported low attendance at Hereford Park last year and looking for new one to try this year. Recommendations included Mitchell, Raden, and Garfield.

New Business

- 1) **Park Board Goals:** Not discussed.

Other:

Park Review: Rusch wants to review parks and suggested next meeting at one. It was decided to meet at Jacobs Park by playground pavilion at 6:00pm. Rainout/bad weather will move back to Annex Building

New Schedule for Park Board meetings. It was discussed to have all future meetings at 6:00pm instead of 6:30pm. Motion to move time to 6:00 pm made by Spencer, seconded by Lowery. All in favor, motion passed.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Spencer, seconded by Lowery. All in favor, motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm.