

Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes  
City of Mount Vernon  
March 10, 2020- Lester Buresh Center

The Mount Vernon Parks and Recreation Board met on March 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the LBC with the following members present: Rory Wiebel, Roman Meyers, and Sandra Fleckenstein. Absent: Loren Hoffman and Cathy Poduska. Also in attendance: Parks and Recreation Director, Matt Siders, Eagle Scout Isaac Stevenson and Bill Stevenson.

1. Approval of the Agenda. Siders said he would be giving a Director's Report on this agenda. The original agenda indicated there would not be one for this meeting. Motion made by Wiebel, seconded by Meyers to approve the agenda as amended. Carried all.
2. Approval of the Minutes from February 18, 2020 meeting. A couple of changes were requested to the minutes before approval. Roman Meyers made note that he was not present at the Feb 2020 meeting although the minutes indicated he was. And Roman mentioned that he did not make a second motion to approve minutes of the meeting as he was not present. Wiebel made the second motion. Motion made by Fleckenstein seconded by Wiebel to approve minutes as amended. Carried all.
3. Open Forum: Each citizen is limited to 5 minutes.
4. Directors Report - February 15, 2020 to March 15, 2020 was presented to Board. Siders shared Trail plans for Wellness Center site and Nature Park were being revised. Siders also shared with the Board that Park and Rec are partnering with Linn County Extension – ISU for five summer camps starting in June.
5. Presentation of Eagle Scout project from Isaac Stevenson. Isaac presented a nine-square-in-the-air project that will be a portable unit that can be used indoors or outdoors. Isaac shared a prototype of the project. Siders shared with the Board that he was looking forward to the flexibility this provided. All Board members supported the project and wanted Stevenson to move forward. Isaac will approach the Scout Council and get back to the Board for a completion date.
6. Discussion regarding update on the LBC. Siders shared the LBC memberships continue to grow and retention is good. Siders mentioned that the LBC will begin to offer more programming options in the next few weeks. Rentals, memberships and daily admissions are at least half way to their budget goals. About ½ of the LBC staff are now certified in CPR / First Aid.
7. Subcommittee reports (Parks, Capital, Pool, Programming, and Volunteer).

8. Old Business. Wiebel brought up the trail kiosks located at Nature Park and Prairie Park. Siders mentioned that he was waiting for completion of the Nature Park Trail and Wellness Center Trail plans and bids. Once they are complete he will add to map that will go on the kiosks.
9. New Business.
10. Motion made by Hoffman seconded by Wiebel to adjourn at 6:07 p.m. Carried all.

Respectfully submitted, Matt Siders, Director of Parks and Recreation.