

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**MARCH 12, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at the Imlay City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Chairman Villanueva.

Present: Frank Demske, Joi Kempf, Lois Rheume, Allen Rosenbalm and Chairman Villanueva.  
Also present: City Manager Youatt and Stu Davis

It was moved by Rheaum, seconded by Demske to approve the Agenda as amended with the following additions: Under Old Business, Pool Manager. Under New Business, Assign Parks and Lions Park sign. Motion carried. 5 years.

Citizens Comments: Mr. Davis suggested adding the Pledge of Allegiance to the Agenda for future meetings.

The Commission reviewed and accepted the Financial Report dated February 28, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS: Manager Youatt updated the Commission on the DNR Recreation Passport grant application for construction of the Splashpad. The cost is \$ 364,000 with the City requesting a \$ 150,000 grant. Youatt reviewed application material that was in the packet with the Commission. A Resolution will be on the next City Commission meeting approving the application and dedicating the required matching funds for the grant.

The Commission discussed plans for the house the City purchased on N. Almont Avenue adjacent to Old School Park. Manager Youatt stated the final payment on purchase of the property will be made the first week in July. The Commission would like to advertise to have someone move the house rather than pay for demolition.

Youatt informed the Commission that a joint management proposal from former Pool Director Jeanette Farley will not work. Youatt will contact Jeanette to see if she can provide some Management of the pool this season along with a veteran lifeguard.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Villanueva assigned the following parks to members of the Commission to check on and report any problems or needs back to the Commission: Butterfly Garden-Chairman Villanueva; Lions Park-Lois Rheume; Rotary Park, Joi Kempf; Polly Ann Trail-Frank Demske; Veterans Park-Alan Rosenbalm; Old School Park-Heather Sample; and Lamb Steele Park-Tom Youatt.

Commissioner Rosenbalm suggested we add a sign to Lions Park to honor Pat Donovan who allegedly donated the property to the City for Lions Park. The Commission discussed possibly installing a bench with a name plate for recognition. Youatt will look into this and report back to the Commission.

OTHER BUSINESS: Chairman Villanueva suggested the Commission purchase a pergola for the Butterfly Garden, possibly from Backyard Creations. Youatt will look into this and report back.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

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Tom Youatt, Acting Secretary