

**City of Lodi Parks Committee Meeting  
Minutes of October 3, 2023**

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Ripp called meeting to order at 5:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Geoffrey Vorlander(virtual), Mikel Bilkey, Tim Ripp, Eric Hansen, Mike Goethel, Kelsey Brady, Luke Klobberdanz (arrived right after item 4)

Staff Present: Brenda Ayers, James Lincoln, Sandy Bloechl

Others: Mayor Ann Groves Lloyd

**2. Meeting Etiquette.**

**3. Public Input.** None

**4. Approve of Minutes from August 2, 2023**

**MOTION** (Goethel, Bilkey) to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2023. Voice Vote: Aye (6); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

**5. Parks Financials**

**6. Discussion and Possible Recommendation of 2024 Parks Development Budget**

Ayers explained the budget items that were listed. Lincoln explained the proposed Habermann Shelter changes/updates that would make the bathroom(s) ADA accessible. Electrical also needs updating with new lighting. Committee suggested not to exceed \$20,000 on Habermann shelter making bathrooms ADA accessible. Pickleball/tennis courts and basketball court surfaces were discussed. There is a large crack on one of the pickleball courts. Suggested to try and fill the crack for another year. Revisit this next month.

**7. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Potential Dog Park**

Brady suggested having the fence rounded so that a dog won't be cornered. Bilkey voiced concerns about spending a lot of money on land the city doesn't own and suggested street parking to start. Goethel suggested a minimalist approach and use street parking to start. Plan on nice fencing in the front and cemetery side and more rustic on field side and development side with street parking. Revisit this next month.

**8. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Doctors Park**

Ripp estimated the wall/seating material about \$3,000 delivered but not installed along with another \$1,000 for other needed materials. Stepping stones round \$1,000-\$1,500 for materials, not installed. A little concrete work and then shrubs. Estimated with volunteer work should be about \$5,000. Bilkey suggested just doing the wall and then to see how it is used. Bilkey suggests doing this in the spring since time is running out to complete this year. Revisit this next month.

**9. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Kohn Park Public Accessibility**

Move to next month.

**10. Utilities, Streets, and Parks Superintendent Report**

Lincoln gave brief report.

**11. Meeting Recap**

Ripp gave recap.

**12. Future Agenda Items**

- o Dog Park
- o Spring Creek

13. Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

14. Adjourn MOTION (Bilkey, Brady) to adjourn at 5:58 p.m. Voice Vote: all Ayes. **Motion carried.**

Minutes by Sandra Bloechl, Accounting Manager/Treasurer

APPROVED