MINUTES

I. Members Present: President Ron Voigt called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.
Jen Verheyen, Michael Gasper, Jim Karrels, Jonathan Pleitner, Sue Kinas, Kiley Schulte, Rec Director, Jon Crain Parks Super, Mayor Marty Becker
Excused: JLamont, APaulin
Absent:

II. Approve Minutes: Motion to accept minutes by J Pleitner, seconded by JKarrels. Passed 6-0

III. Citizen Comments:

IV. Old Business:
A. Rec Director’s Report
1. Putting an offset pipe in the pool to increase efficiency and save money.
2. JoAnn Demerit, Yoga & More Coordinator, is moving to Seattle. Working on filling very big shoes.
B. Park Superintendent Report
1. A 5k grant for new trees in Upper Lake Park was received.
2. The kids tree climb day was a huge success.

V. New Business:
A. Update on Possibility Playground: Marti McGary and Sue Maier presented current ongoing fundraising efforts. As the result of an inspection done by Parks & Rec, 4 swings were removed as they need new chains, the climbing arch was compromised by rusting chains which were replaced and the tire swing needed to be replaced. The pad surface is becoming quite worn and is scheduled for replacement as part of Park & Rec capital plan for 2020. However, that may or may not be the largest priority. Additionally, the repair fund they have has only $11,000 in it so the Possibility Playground group is requesting the city put in the rest. The organization was reminded that monies and resources are impossibly tight and were advised to consider options. The group is requesting the city handle the garden beds and perhaps do a bit of upgrading.
B. Review and Recommend Improvements and Additions to Possibility Playground-The group was advised this has already been voted on. Parks & Rec was advised they have a large scale donor who is going to assist with getting their expansion efforts completed.
D. Review & Recommend Hiring of Staff. S. Kinas moves to approve, J. Verheyen second. Passed 6-0.

E. Review & Recommend Facility Use Requests-

F. Review & Recommend Memorial Bench and Tree Program. J. Pleitner moves that the current memorial Bench program be suspended with exception of the final plaque already in the works for Bob Mueller, seconded by S. Kinas. Passed 6-0. J. Pleitner moves that the memorial tree program be put on hold until firm details about the new program can be fully put in place, J. Karrels seconded. Passed 6-0.

G. Review & Recommend Banner Placement at Hill School Park-Rec Director is requesting that the west end of the fence be used for better visibility and to support events & programs in our community. M. Gasper moves, J. Pleitner seconded. Passed 5-1.

VI Any Other Business

VII Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm. Motion by J. Pleitner seconded by M. Gasper.