

## Swisher Parks and Recreation Board Minutes

October 20, 2021

Call to order: 7:01 by Ed Kringle

Roll Call: Mitch and Ed present, Brad was present on Zoom

Agenda and Minutes approved

No citizens present

### Business

- a. Youth League update: As of tonight's meeting there are 2 more games left. Brad is going to ask the business sponsors if they want to do another end of season party. Brad is not going to be doing a basketball league this winter.
- b. Update of Options for Adjustable Ball Diamond Light poles: Brad hasn't found good options for our situation. Wondering if City Council has an idea of what they would like to see and go from there. Brad found the Company that did the installation originally and received a quote from them to come and update all the lights with longer life span equipment.
- c. Update for Installing Shade at Downtown Park: Parks Board is excited to hear that things are moving on that. Question was asked about basketball hoops and when that was getting done. Brad has a contact that said that they would be willing to lend us a stencil to use to paint the basketball lines with.
- d. Date to Start Ball Diamond Reservations: Board decided that we would like to hash all of that out at a meeting in January.
- e. Update on Castek Trail Grant: Parks board is glad to hear that things are progressing on that again as well. Ed mentioned that we may have to meet on that specifically to make sure the plans have the items we want in them i.e. the Learning trail with the Library, the planting of wetland plants in the waterway to reduce mowing and improve water quality.
- f. Location to install Message Board at Castek Park: Parks Board determined that they would like to see it someplace off the parking lot by the toilet/concession stand building and the trail entrance, but will leave it up to AI for final placement so there isn't any conflict with utilities, mowing or other maintenance, and the construction of the new trail.

Brad brought up how he would like to have some sort of "field day" next spring to get kids exposed to different sports so that parents wouldn't have to feel like they need to pay a lot of money to get signed up for a league that their kid then doesn't like. Ed asked if he had ever heard of the company Sports Torts and discussion was had about maybe seeing if we could work with them to come and do just what Brad was hoping for. Brad said he would reach out to the company and go from there.

Next meeting date is November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Adjourned at 7:31pm