

PARK BOARD

April 11, 2024

The April 11, 2024 Park Board meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the White Shelter in Harrison Smith Park by Kate Niederkohr, Chairperson. Park Board members present were Jennifer Banta, Jon Blackburn, Dean Leonard, Kate Niederkohr, and Bill Sturgeon. Bob Blocksom was absent.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Keith Niederkohr, Parks Manager; John Walker; Angela Polachek; Teresa Scott, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The summary of bills totaling \$22,841.70 was presented.

A motion was made by Mrs. Banta, seconded by Mr. Sturgeon, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$22,841.70. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairperson declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the March 11, 2024 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each Park Board member, were approved as received.

Park Board members reviewed the following quotes received for chlorine for the swimming pool for the 2024 season:

Bonded Chemicals 2645 Charter Street Columbus, OH 43228	-	\$2.59 per gallon
O.P. Aquatics 22350 Royalton Road PO Box 360660 Strongsville, OH 44149	-	\$3.25 per gallon \$15.00 environmental handling fee
Miami Products & Chemical Co. 520 Lonoke Street PO Box 486 Dayton, OH 45403	-	\$3.85 per gallon \$35.00 delivery charge

A motion was made by Mr. Blackburn, seconded by Mr. Sturgeon, to approve the quote for liquid chlorine for the swimming pool for the 2024 season from Bonded Chemicals, Columbus, Ohio for \$2.59 per gallon, provided their delivery method complies with guidelines from the Water Treatment Plant. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairperson declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Blackburn, seconded by Mrs. Banta, to enter into an executive session to discuss the hiring of part-time park employees. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairperson declared the motion carried. Upon completion of the executive session, the Park Board reconvened into regular session.

A motion was made by Mr. Blackburn, seconded by Mrs. Banta, to hire Cheryl Thiel at \$14.00 per hour and Terry Lindeman as a volunteer seasonal part-time park employees. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairperson declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Sturgeon, seconded by Mr. Blackburn, to hire Bailey Fox at \$12.00 per hour as part-time summer help. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairperson declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Blackburn, seconded by Mr. Sturgeon, to enter into an executive session to discuss the hiring of a pool manager. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairperson declared the motion carried. Upon completion of the executive session, the Park Board reconvened into regular session.

A motion was made by Mr. Sturgeon, seconded by Mr. Blackburn, to hire Angela Polachek as the pool manager for the 2024 pool season. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairperson declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Sturgeon, seconded by Mr. Blackburn, to set the salary of the Pool Manager at \$10,000.00 for the pool season. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairperson declared the motion carried.

Mr. Niederkohr reported that a representative from Peterman Associates looked at the swimming pool again recently, and more will be reported about the pool as the summer moves along.

Mr. Niederkohr also reported that the City parks were full on Monday, April 8, 2024, the day of the solar eclipse, and Parks Department employees were stationed at various parks during that day and the parks were left clean by the visitors.

Mayor McColly thanked Mr. Niederkohr and the Parks Department employees for their work in preparation of the solar eclipse which occurred on Monday, April 8, 2024.

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Kate Niederkohr, Chairperson