

## CITY OF NEW CASTLE PARK BOARD MINUTES

JANUARY 3, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patty Broyles, Dave Nantz, Sandy Scott, John Henderson and Todd Myers

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor York, Park Superintendent Mike Bergum, and Mayor's Assistant Kendra Kennedy

Mayor York opened this meeting at 5:30pm.

Mayor York asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the former meeting.

Sandy made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Todd. Motion passed (3-2 Abstain)

John made a motion to keep officers the same as previous year. Patty as President and Dave as Vice President. Second by Todd. Motion passed (5-0)

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Patty opened the meeting with congratulating Mayor York on another 4-year term. Thanked Superintendent Bergum and the Board for all their efforts this past year and eager to get started in 2024.

Patty also noted to keep the Parks and Recreation Mission Statement in mind this coming year. We want all City parks to be safe and welcoming for all patrons.

Superintendent Bergum presented the Board with a handout for current projects as far as completion, working on, and not done/not necessary. The board held discussion over what has been completed and what we are looking to complete this 2024 season. Superintendent Bergum also presented a handout for Park Needs/Ideas and the 2024 \$50,000 Philosophy. The shelters in Baker Park need refurbishing along with finishing up the new skate park addition, such as lighting, security, and restrooms. Mulching in all parks will take place this spring, as well. The second softball diamond fencing will be done along with turf treatment. There are a lot of exciting things happening at all parks and the Parks and Recreation Department are eager to get started for the 2024 season.

Mayor York noted the wall at the southwest corner of Baker Park does need attention but it will have to start with cement and sidewalk work first.

Patty asked Superintendent Bergum about new playground equipment in front of Baker Park where the old equipment was removed. He stated that it is best to keep that entrance clear to avoid children getting too close to traffic and roadway. It also keeps patrons inside the parks more to enjoy the new additions that have been added the last year.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor York stated he is ready for another 4-year term and excited to work with the Park Board and Parks and Recreation Department for a successful and eventful 2024 year.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

None

**CITIZEN CONCERNS**

None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:20PM, NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2024.