

**CITY OF AU GRES  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023  
5:00 PM**

PRESENT: Chad Anthony, Barb Osborne, Dan Heinrich, Jan Gore, Sheree Wiltse

ABSENT: Margaret Warr

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Dale Wiltse, Park Managers Chris Ireland & Lisa Ireland

**1.) CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Chad Anthony at 5:00 p.m.

**2.) ROLL CALL**

Roll call noted Margaret Warr absent.

**3.) MINUTES**

**MOTION** (Wiltse) to approve minutes from September 19, 2023 as submitted, support (Osborne). Motion carried.

**4.) CITIZENS COMMENTS:** None

**5.) OLD BUSINESS**

5.1 City Pavilion Updates

City Manager informed board that Morton Buildings is waiting for engineering drawings to begin repairs on the pavilion. They plan to start in December. Color of the building is to be silver with the wainscot to be red. Dan Heinrich suggested painting the doors the same color as the wainsot. Also discussed were 4 garage doors per side vs 3 garage doors. The board decided on 4 doors per side.

**6.) NEW BUSINESS**

6.1 City Park Updates

City Manager updated the board regarding the proposed campground expansion. He notified the board that the SPARKS grant was not approved. The board discussed other options for funding such as TIFA/Parks Fund, commercial loan, bond and other grant options.

6.2 Park & Recreation Master Plan Update

City Manager reviewed the current 5-year Rec Plan which is scheduled to be updated this year. The board discussed changes to the current plan and gave suggestions for the plan to Rick Freeman.

**7.) CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:**

City Manager discussed the submitted ACF grant for sunshades at Riverside Park and the upcoming SCIT 2% grant. The board felt that they would like to see ADA cabins at the campground and we should submit a proposal to the SCIT. City Manager to check out options. The board also discussed a streetscape banner program from April-November. Veterans' banners looked great and maybe the city could have different banners to add/alternate throughout the period.

**8.) PARK MANAGER COMMENTS:**

Park Manager Chris & Lisa discussed plans for HIP movie night and other event/programs for campers in the 2024 season such as a camper craft show, euchre nights, Christmas in July, etc. Options for campground direction signage on US-23 was also discussed.

**9.) ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** (Wiltse) adjourn at 6:30 p.m.; support (Osborne). Motion carried.

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Chairman Chad Anthony

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Dale Wiltse, City Manager