

**CITY OF AU GRES
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024
5:00 PM**

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

ABSENT: Paige Belanger, Margaret Warr

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Dale Wiltse, Park Manager Chris Ireland, Lisa Ireland, Meghan Ireland, Julie Schnettler, Jon Sanford, Sarah Dettloff and Troy Williamson from Bilacic Trucking

1). CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Chad Anthony at 5:00 p.m. Chad announced the closing of the campground expansion bid acceptance.

2). ROLL CALL

Roll call noted Paige Belanger and Margaret Warr absent.

3). MINUTES

MOTION (D Heinrich) to approve minutes from August 20, 2024 as submitted, support (S Wiltse). Motion carried.

4). CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Lisa Ireland is putting together a list of events for campers next year. These events will be open to the public.

5). OLD BUSINESS:

5.1 Baseball Updates: Julie Schnettler was present from the youth baseball committee. She reported that Turner, Whitney Township and Au Gres Township are onboard for a partner grant with the SCIT. Sims Township is meeting tonight to be included. They have a great work group put together. The group is meeting at 7:45 am tomorrow (Wednesday) at the fields to discuss a plan.

6). NEW BUSINESS:

6.1 Bid Opening

One bid was received for \$404,529 from Bilacic Trucking for this phase of the project. The City Manager received a quote from Stoney Acres Electrric for \$110,000 for the electrical phase. This quote is subject to County electrical department approval of the design. After discussion the

MOTION (S Wiltse) recommend the Bilacic Trucking bid be presented to City Council for approval; support (Osborne). Motion carried.

7). CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

The Farmer's Market promotor would like to have a market on Friday and Saturday in 2025. Thank you to Horizon Bank employees for painting the pavilion on Community Give Back Day. Thank you to Lisa Ireland for hosting many campground camper functions. Halloween in the Park is scheduled for October 19.

8). PARK MANAGER COMMENTS:

Had a few issues with Rib Rally participants. They need to make changes in the program if they decide to return in 2025. Soup cook-off at the park this weekend- all public invited. Fish station at the campground in need of repair and cost will be approximately \$7000. Would like Park & Rec Board to recommend repairs to City Council.

9). ADJOURNMENT

MOTION (S Wiltse) adjourns at 6:00 p.m.; support (T Heinrich). Motion carried.

Chairman Chad Anthony

Dale Wiltse, City Manager