

FAIRBURY PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

April 6th, 2021
7:00 p.m.

Member Rogge made the statement regarding the Open Meetings Act as required by statute.

1. Member Phil Rogge called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for roll call. Other members present were: Brian Schmidt, Kelly Davis and Tim Polson.

2. Next, was the motion to convene.

Member Schmidt made the motion to convene. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

3. Next, was the approval of the March 16th, 2021, minutes. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action.

Member Polson made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 16th, 2021, meeting. Member Schmidt seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

4. Next, was discussion and recommendation regarding a request for handrails at 504 E Street. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action.

Cody Moyer was present to speak on behalf of MBI properties. He stated that he is the new building owner and noticed a definite need for a handrail in front of Husker Rehab to assist patients with mobility challenges. He is requesting 2-3 handrails on the west side of the building. Member Rogge question if the south side also needed handrails. It was noted that the curb is in very bad condition but much shorter at that location. Rogge stated he would like to see rails on the south side too. There was some discussion regarding different types of rails and the ability to reuse the rails if the city reworks the curb with a downtown revitalization grant. Schmidt noted that the exiting rails do not match and if the city were going to do something he would like to see them all replaced so that they match. The commission agreed that they would like all the rails to look the same for consistency. The commission agreed that two rails would be appropriate for the east side of the street at 504 E street however they wanted to wait on installing any on the south side of the building. The commission was interested in a spiral handrail and asked staff to look into pricing for that type of rail. Schmidt made the motion to approve the installation of two handrails located at 504 E Street. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

5. Next, was discussion and recommendation regarding a request from The Shrine Club for the use of the City Park, barricades, dumpsters, water and electricity from July 1st to July 5th, 2020 for the annual 4th of July Flea market. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired actions

Bedlan noted that the request was similar to years in the past however, the timeline for the flea market request was a little longer than usual and they are interested in some type of entertainment by the train this year. The commission questioned if the flea market pays for sanitation or utilities and Bedlan stated that they do not however, they have made donations to the city in the past. It was also noted that there is a baseball game being held at the same time as the flea market however, both organizations have been notified and have stated that they are willing to work with each other to accommodate both events. Schmidt made the motion to recommend council approve the request from The Shrine Club for the use of the City Park, barricades, dumpsters, water and electricity from July 1st to July 5th, 2020 for the annual 4th

of July Flea market. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed

6. Next, was discussion and recommendation regarding a request to install a memorial bench and tree at the City Park cloverleaf fields. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action.

Ms. Barb Bedlan was present and spoke on behalf of the Rice family. She stated that they wanted to donate a tree and some kind of bench to the softball complex. Development Services Director Bedlan stated that they have agreed on the location and type of bench and tree and they are located in areas reviewed and agreed to by the utilities and field board. Rogge asked how locations were picked for these types of donations and Bedlan stated that typically the family has a spot in mind and Bedlan will then check with the utilities and parks department to make sure that the location works, if not then she will negotiate another location with the family. The commission agreed that this would be a nice addition to the park. Member Davis made the motion to approve the installation of the Frank Rice memorial bench and tree at the City Park cloverleaf fields. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Rogge, Schmidt, Davis and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed

7. Next, were public comments on non-agenda items

With no comments from the public on non-agenda items member Schmidt made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 4 - "yes" (Rogge, Davis, Polson, and Schmidt) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.