

**CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO
PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 3, 2020, 6:00 P.M.
Public Works Office**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Eddie Harvey, Eric White, Lloyd Shoemaker, Edna Stiefel, Cathy Oda, Marsha Garrett, Phillip Moyer and Jamie Lawson

STAFF PRESENT: Brian Brookhart

ITEM NO. 1: CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:59 P.M.

ITEM NO. 2: APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the March 4, 2020 meeting were read and approved.

ITEM NO. 3: CITY POOL

Most of the evening was spent talking about the future of our city pool. There are several options available. The city leaders and the citizens will be given the facts for two alternatives. It can be repaired, refurbished or contracted to build a new pool. Either option will be a costly one. The city has contacted three companies to provide the city with their plans and costs for each option. All three will have representatives here for interviews on Tuesday, June 9th. City officials and Park Board members are invited to attend. Those in attendance will be given a score card to rate the presentations of each company.

One option the city has in regards to either decision (to fix or build a new pool) is to contract with a company to take over management of the entire pool, at an estimated \$140,000. The City would then purchase the chemicals and food for the concession stand. The City would receive funds generated from admission charges and concession stand proceeds. The company will provide all staff and upkeep for repairs. Brian Brookhart has spoken with Tipp City about their success with this type of agreement and they are very happy with the outcome.

ITEM NO. 4: PARKS BUDGET

Brian Brookhart informed the city budget provides \$600,000 for the Parks Department. The pool has run in the red for many years.

ITEM NO. 5: PLAYGROUNDS CLOSED

Until the governor gives the word, the City playgrounds and the pools are still closed. The only pool in the area that will open when permitted will be Troy with a limit to how many citizens are allowed at a time.

ITEM NO. 6: TENNIS & PICKLE BALL COURTS

Brian Brookhart is looking at some options and repairs for the tennis courts at Pitsenbarger and Fountain Park.

ITEM NO. 7: CITIZEN INPUT

Brian Brookhart and the Park Board members agreed making the citizens aware of the needs of the parks and especially the pool is very important. Sometime in the no-so-distant future the city will need to put a levy on the ballot. It is greatly needed.

ITEM NO. 8: NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

Brian Brookhart will inform members when and where the next meeting will be held at a later date.

ITEM NO. 7: ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

Minutes as prepared by Tammy Wright.