## City of Mora, MN PARK BOARD Meeting Minutes

## April 11, 2023

Present:

Steven Holcombe, Alison Holland, Sam Pioske, Curt Sammann, Kyle Shepard

Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Joe Kohlgraf, Jeff Krie, Glenn Anderson

Others Present:

None

- 1. Call to Order. Chair Pioske called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call. All present.
- 3. <u>Adopt Agenda.</u> Motion by Holland, second by Shepard to adopt the April 11, 2023 meeting agenda as presented. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
- 4. <u>Minutes.</u> Motion by Shepard, second by Holcombe to approve the January 10, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
- 5. Open Forum. No one showed up to speak at the open forum.
- 6. Fall Fest. The board discussed the Fall Fest event detail sheet and shared ideas on Activities, Food Trucks, Donations, and Marketing. Overall a great discussion and many ideas were shared. The group decided that a walking magician was the way to go. Kids are too busy for stage acts and people love the interaction. Sheppard suggested another option is using a DJ or sound system that played kids music and kids could dance on the stage during the event. Holland and Krie shared some possible groups that might be willing to assist in Fall Fest. Anderson shared the possibility of reaching out to the Fire Department and Police to see if they would be interested in attending Fall Fest. It was brought up to either get rid of the inflatable activity or have better supervision to limit any accidents. Krie suggested that he could bring to the next meeting some activities the board could consider. Sheppard and Holland shared ideas on getting more volunteers at the event. Holland also suggestion using the school to distribute the event poster. Sheppard felt that last year was the best year yet and hoping that the event continues to grow. The board tabled it for Krie to follow up on the different shared ideas and discuss results.

## 7. Reports.

- a. Holcombe: None
- b. Holland: None
- c. Pioske: Heard Pickleball group may attend a park board meeting on possibility of putting a pickleball court on JC ballfields. Anderson responded with an idea of the possibility of raising funds for projects.

- d. Sammann: Questions were answered during reports on Dog Park and Fox Run proposed park.
- e. Sheppard: Was asked by a person to have Keystone Park open during the winter for snowshoeing.
- f. Kohlgraf: Getting spring equipment ready. Slowly opening parks up as snow melts and checking everything. Doing monthly checks on parks. Skate Park open this week. Basketball courts and tennis/pickleball court are open. Trying some different options for the surface entry of the dog park to make more stable and less messy. Bike trails working on east side of highway to clean off. Park Board may want to look at play equipment in Library Park for replacement or update equipment in the future. Hear any concerns on anything to let Kohlgraf or Krie know.
- g. Krie: Hiring is going good for the MAC. City of Mora was granted a grant from ECRAC for Mora's Music in the Park. Krie asked for volunteers to do curtain speech and hand out survey. Submitted a grant to the DNR for a proposed park in Fox Run development.

8. <u>Adjournment.</u> Motion by Sheppard, second by Holcombe to adjourn the meeting. All present voted by Meeting adjourned at 6:52p.m.

Sam Piøske, Chair

Jeff Krie, Secretar