

**City of Mora, MN  
PARK BOARD  
Meeting Minutes**

**September 13, 2022**

Present: Steven Holcombe, Sam Pioske, Curt Sammann, Kyle Shepard  
Absent: Allison Holland  
Staff Present: Joe Kohlgraf, Jeff Krie, Glenn Anderson  
Others Present: None

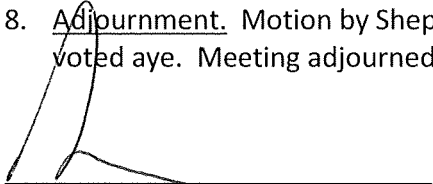
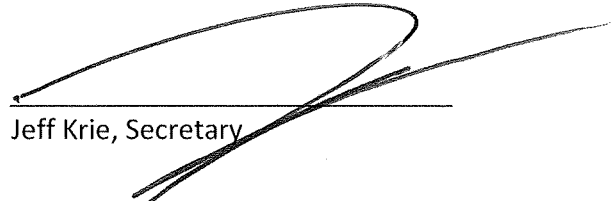
1. Call to Order. Chair Pioske called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
2. Roll Call. All present with the exception of Holland
3. Adopt Agenda. Motion by Shepard, second by Holcombe to adopt the September 13, 2022 meeting agenda as presented. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
4. Minutes. Motion by Shepard, second by Holcombe to approve the August 2, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. All present voted aye. Motion carried.
5. Open Forum. Jamie Voelk from the Pickleball group was present to ask the Park Board to consider making more room for Pickleball courts. The pickleball group would like to see the tennis court expanded to four courts or more courts built. Voelk shared that Pickleball has become more popular for all age groups and the courts are always full and in need of more availability as wait times are getting extreme. Voelk shared that courts are so full that some people go to Milaca as they have more space devoted to pickleball with lights. During winter the group has used the school and have seen up to 50 people show up to play. The board had a good discussion with Voelk looking at options and needs. The board shared there are no funds available for any expansion or retrofitting of the tennis courts. Anderson shared opportunities for funding. Voelk asked what possible cost would incur if the tennis court was converted and information was shared from Kohlgraf. Voelk also asked if the nets could be made available at the Library for easier access and due to hours. Kohlgraf shared possibility of a lock box and Krie shared he would ask the library to see if they would be willing to do a net rental. The board asked that Voelk go back to her group and go over what was discussed and to contact Krie if they would want to be put on an upcoming agenda. Anderson shared that the Park Board is an advisory board to City Council and the final decision would be made by Council.
6. Fall Fest. Krie went over the attached Event Details as of September 13, 2022. The event will take place on September 24, 2022 at the Library Park from 12pm-4pm. We had a good discussion by the board on updated activities and placement also discussed entertainment, food vendors, sponsors, marketing, and set-up time. It was discussed that once we go through this year's Fall Fest and the added BBQ cook off, we will have a better idea on the event and what is needed or if the format needs to be changed. Sammann asked if there was a contingency plan

and Krie responded as is past years the event is only scheduled for that day. Krie responded that this could be discussed for next year. No more discussion was needed.

7. Reports.

- a. Sheppard: When possible and funds available if the city could build a corn hole toss made of cement.
- b. Holcombe: No reports.
- c. Pioske: No reports.
- d. Sammann: Asked if the Fox Run park would consider having a swing adaptable for wheelchair.
- e. Kohlgraf: Working on maintenance. Also Kids Kingdom was sealed today and will reopen on Thursday. Prepping for fall.
- f. Krie: Fox Run grant was cancelled by staff as no funds were available to match grant. Musical Instruments were installed at Library Park by Joe and his team. The two instruments were donated, and a bench may still be forthcoming.

8. Adjournment. Motion by Sheppard, second by Holcombe to adjourn the meeting. All present voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:05p.m.

  
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Sam Pioske, Chair  
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Jeff Krie, Secretary