

HANOVER PARK BOARD *meeting* minute December 5, 2023

Those in attendance: Debbie Kroger, Treva Shelton, Ben Sommers, Tim Buxton, Scott Davidson, Megan Varble and Coby Cloud.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DNR PROJECT Lights are up and functioning on the tennis courts and the basketball court. They all still need to be adjusted. The on/off switches are located on the northside of the restroom building near the tennis courts. These simply turn the lights on when the timer, located inside the closet, allows the electricity to be on. There is a plan to place a cover over the switches and possible later add a pay-as-you-play element. Block work and some framing has been done on buildings 1 and 2. Work continues on building 3. The light poles are scheduled to go up Wednesday December 6th. (Those actually went up Friday December 8th) Duke energy will be upgrading/restoring power near field number 3 in the next couple of weeks.

NON DNR PROJECTS We are still working to get the outfield fence on field #2 replaced. It's looking more and more like a Spring time project. U S Premier will be involved.

3RD ANNUAL HANOVER CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR presented by the Hanover Parks Department took place Saturday December 2nd from 10-4 in the SW Elementary gym. Our goal was to have 40 vendors. We had 30 participate. Special thanks to the Southwestern Elementary school and principal Bobby Adams and Peggy Eaglin for all of their help along with our volunteers and part time staff. Ellen's chili was a big hit at the concession stand

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE The replacement dome has been ordered for the playground behind the community center. A bucket swing at playground 1 and a landing mat at the bottom of the slide at playground 2 will be ordered once shipping fees are corrected. Both are available from Snider Recreation who services BURKE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT.

VETERANS TREE We are in the process of purchasing a tree to plant near the proposed Veterans Garden. This tree would be decorated yearly and will be paid for by funds collected in 2022 at the Southwestern schools as part of their DIMES FOR DREAMS. Hannah Malcomb at River City Nursery has found a tree (6' to 7' Norway Spruce) and has agreed to pick it up and plant it at no charge.

HANOVER PARKS DEPARTMENT MERCHANDISE Scott is working with a local vendor on parks department merchandise that can be sold at the park and possibly on line. Shirts, lanyards, stickers, etc more details to come

PROGRAMS

HANOVER PARKS DEPARTMENT'S GIRLS BASKETBALL program over 30 girls are signed up for our third season of elementary girls basketball. Practices are underway with games scheduled in January on Monday nights and Saturday mornings. A big thank you goes out to the Southwestern School corporation. Workouts started November 9th.

FEE INCREASES More details next month but we are looking at increasing our team sponsorship and banner sponsorship fees. Just slightly due to the increased cost of equipment. We DO NOT plan on increasing participation fees

EVENT COORDINATORS REPORT

SENIOR CITIZENS Took a trip November 20th to LIGHTS UNDER LOUISVILLE followed by lunch at Cracker Barrels. 20 Seniors attended. Plus thanks to Southwestern schools for providing the transportation.

VETERAN'S DINNER took place November 11th from 5 to 7 with 20 attending. A Chili, hot dog bar and desserts were provided by the Seniors.

THE TINSEL TWINKLE TRAIL lights up the park nightly from dusk to dawn. There is no admission fee.

THE 3rd ANNUAL HOLLY JOLLY SANTA CELEBRATION is scheduled for Saturday December 9th from 2 to 7 in the community building. This event is put on by the not-for-profit organization HANOVER HAPPY HOLIDAYS. This will include the very popular SUGAR PLUM BAKE-OFF with the winners announced at 6:30. The Hanover Seniors will be selling cookies COOKIE CRUMBLE at the event as a fundraiser. Other attractions...Hermie handing out toothbrushes and tooth paste, The Grinch, Frosty the Snowman, Santa and Mrs Claus, mittens provided by Auxier Gas and thanks to a grant from the WOMENS GIVING CIRCLE

chapter books for the older kids. There will be stockings, hats, marsh mellowes and so much more.
This reminder...the staff Pitch in will take place Monday December 11th at the community center.

Scott also reported that the flooring has not been replaced in the WIC office yet following the water damage but the process is moving forward. Plus there has been a request to paint the WIC office walls. Those walls were not painted last winter when the rest of the building's walls were.

The next Hanover Park Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 2, 2024 at 530pm.

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