HANOVER PARK BOARD meeting minute October 3, 2023

Those in attendance: Debbie Kroger, Kenny Garrett, Treva Shelton, Ben Sommers, Tim Buxton, Scott Davidson, Megan Varble and Kim Judge.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT WATER The guttering has been installed on the west side of the community building. It is working well. Another water issue occurred Wednesday September 27th when a water pipe broke in the maintenance room of the community center. Thankfully someone (Blake) was near the building at the time. Scott Williams contacted SERVPRO who arrived at the scene quickly and started to work. Water was contained to the WIC office area and the former swimming pool locker rooms and adjoining rooms. SERVPRO fans were in the building thru the weekend.

NON-DNR PROJECTS UPDATE Lights installed on Field #3. Some adjusting is still required. We are still waiting on numbers for the replacement of the outfield fence on field #2. US Premier has agreed to be a partner on this project

DNR PROJECT Broke ground today (October 3) for the score building on Field #2. The score building on Field #1 has had the upper level removed. That work was done by town of Hanover employees. Board member Kenny Garrett added that the score buildings for fields 1 and 2 have been redesigned due to a water line issue near field 1. The DNR approved the changes. Plus this will save about \$11,000 from the original costs. Also, six 60' light poles are going to be ordered for field 2. 40' poles are up on field 3 and will be installed on field 1 along with the tennis courts and the basketball court and maybe at fireman's park. The original plans for lighting on the fields called for 60' poles.

OTHER ITEMS... Ellen announced that the Senior Citizens Wednesday meal is being put on hold starting in October due to personal and financial reasons. The 3rd annual Hanover Christmas craft fair will take place Saturday December 2nd from 10-4 in the SW elementary gymnasium. 15 vendors have signed up so far. Scott had the opportunity to speak to SW 5th graders during career day on September 29th. Also Scott met with area youth on September 28th concerning Fireman's Park. The discussion included the court, fencing, lighting, water and more. Activity has been increasing on the basketball court at Fireman's Park and it's refreshing to see that this group is taking ownership in hel[ing to make improvements there. The group already has a fundraising canister at Jendys to help offset some of the costs plus the group has agreed to help with some projects at the Community park (Sweat Equity) like dugout painting and big rock moving

MIDSUMMER BASEBALL & SOFTBALL The Program concluded September 15th with over 140 kids ages 4 thru 10 participating

YOUTH SOCCER for the third year, we partnered with the JCSA to provide U6, U8, U10 soccer at Hanover Park. We have 3 teams in each of our divisions. There are over 70 total number of kids participating Soccer matches will take place at the park thru early November.

ELEMENTARY VOLLEYBALL we offered elementary volleyball for the third year in a row thanks to the Southwestern schools and Alivia Brawner who headed up this year's league. Practices and matches took place at the SW elementary gym. Over 40 participated. This program will conclude October 4th.

HANOVER WOMENS FALL SOFTBALL This is year 2. We have 4 teams playing games on Wednesday nights at the park on Field 3 This program will conclude October 25th.

HANOVER PARKS DEPARTMENT'S GIRLS BASKETBALL program sign ups are underway for our third year of offering a winter girls basketball program. It's designed for girls ages 4/5 thru 6th grade. Games

and practices will take place in the gyms at Southwestern Schools. A big thank you goes out to the Sw School corporation.

EVENT COORDINATORS REPORT

SENIOR CITIZENS... The Hanover Senior Citizens for the third year in a row sold fried biscuits and apple butter at the Harvest Festival at Lanthier Winery. They raised \$834.50 and an additional \$100 via the debit card. The Seniors will also be helping at the PARTY IN THE PARK coming up October 7th and at the SPOOKTACULAR on October 21st.

PARTY IN THE PARK 10/7 11-4 Community give-back FREE event.. food, bouncey houses, face painting, Kona Ice and more. SW schools are donating 400 buns..

HOOSIER BOUNCERS \$650, AMAZING FACE PAINTING \$225, KONA ICE \$813 and

SW GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM \$400. The event did receive a \$1000 grant from the Mike Hesse Memorial Endowment thru the Community Foundation

SPOOKTACULAR 10/21 from 530-730 followed by a Halloween movie ADDAMS FAMILY 2. The booths will be set up around the trail. Several area businesses will be participating.

Planning is ongoing for our Veteran's program and the 3rd annual HOLLY JOLLY SANTA CELEBRATION scheduled for the weekend of December 9th. The TINSEL TWINKLE TRAIL should be ready to light up the park trail the week of Thanksgiving.

TIM BUXTON

The next Hanover Park Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 7, 2023 at 530pm.

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