

Ely Parks and Recreation Commission

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday February 19, 2019

Time: 6:30pm

1. **Roll Call** – meeting began at 6:30pm. Members present: Stephanie Mai, Tom Reed, Marilyn Grover, Sara Healy, Jon Ryk, Mike Houlihan and Callie O’Brien. Absent: Nick Steggal.
2. **Business:**
 - a. Vavra Park Discussion – Chair Stephanie Mai shared information from the February 11th Council meeting. She reviewed Councils concerns for the Vavra Park project, which included lack of use, lack of accessibility and financing. The Park Board voted to gather further information and measure the public’s interest in the project by the March 5th special meeting, at which time they will determine whether or not this is an endeavor worth pursuing. Once making that determination, the Park Board then plans to present their findings and either make a case to Council or inform them of their decision to abandon the project.
 - b. Park & Roadside Clean Up – the date of Saturday April 27th was chosen for the Park and Roadside Clean Up date. This is a joint effort between the Ely Public Library and the Park and Recreation Commission. Volunteers will meet at 8:30am at the Library before breaking out into groups to tackle the roadside ditches coming into town both directions and also to help clean up the parks. The turnout at last year’s event was quite low, meaning there was a lot of work for a small group of people. The Library and Parks crew will be putting more emphasis on volunteer recruitment this year – within the community and the high school key club.
 - c. Soccer & Baseball Registrations – The Park Board was reminded that registrations are open for the upcoming soccer and baseball season. Registrations for both programs will be closing mid-March; late submissions will not be accepted this year as it causes issues with jersey orders and rosters.
 - d. Baseball Sponsors – Ely Youth Baseball sponsorship letters were given to committee members. A goal of the Park Board this season was to try and gather more sponsorships than previous years in an effort to raise money for the programs so a few members have agreed to gauge interest from their employers.
3. **Date of Next Meeting**
 - a. Special meeting: Tuesday March 5th, 2019 6:00pm
 - b. Regular Meeting: Tuesday March 12th, 2019 @ 6:30pm
4. **Adjourn** – meeting concluded at 7:50pm