

CITY COUNCIL PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

July 18, 2023 at 5:00 PM Crete City Hall, 243 East 13th Street

MINUTES

Notice of the meeting was given by posting, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the attached notice, at the following locations:

City Hall, 243 East 13th Street Post Office, 1242 Linden Avenue City Bank and Trust, 1135 Main Avenue

Advance notice of the meeting was also given to committee members. Pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, the City has posted a current copy of the Open meetings Act, Laws of the State of Nebraska, in the back of the council chambers. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

1. Open Meeting

2. Roll CallKyle Frans: PresentAshley Newmyer: PresentDan Papik: PresentPresent: 3.

3. Items of Business

3.A. Consider a recommendation to the City Council on a sports complex project.

City Administrator Tom Ourada provided a presentation on a New Sports and Recreation Complex-Why Do This vs. Why Not

- Investing in the community has made a difference.

- Various concepts have been proposed

- Expanding Tuxedo Park would not address many needs or provide opportunities for the youth

- Building new fields and amenities (at least 6 softball fields) (4 regulation-sized soccer fields) (2 baseball fields) (Recreation area - playground, picnic, trial, etc.)

- The property the City is looking at purchasing is south of town and totals 59+ acres. (includes one well but excludes a large well and pivot.) (costs a little over \$20,000 per acre)

- The City has a 71 acre farm that the other owner is interested in. (Could be used to help offset

the cost of acquisition) (Balance of the purchase would be funded with utility reserve funds) - Parks & Rec budget will at least double (But it will not occur for several years)

- Can transition from Tuxedo Park to South Park with old and new infrastructure in a deliberate and organized manner without deficit spending and without programs suffering.

- The General fund will grow with the increase in property and sales tax that is the beneficiary of the increases in travel and traffic coming from this project.

- •Start tonight - Park & Rec Committee•Then Council - •Move some fields over•Construct new•New soccer on limited budget - low cost participation•Rock road and small parking areas•Infrastructure is in place with a well and water, sewer, and power in the vicinity.

Recommend to the City Council a sports complex project. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Kyle Frans.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye Aye: 3, No: 0

4. Officers' Reports

5. Adjournment