

**Park Board Meeting**  
**September 4, 2019 at City Hall**

**Present:** Luke Ewald, Mike Gruhlke, Michael Haeffner, Larry Anderson, Matt Skaret, Lynne Anderson. **Guest:** Jeff Gay

**Absent:** Jenny Eicholz, Mike Gilbert, Phil Markman

- A. Memorial Park Update:** Matt reported that the project is moving forward. Only a few issues have come up and were dealt with. Trees are planted and last day for seeding is about the 20th of September; so even hopeful to get seeding done.
- B. Ashley Shelter House:** Jeff Gay visited Spirit Lake and brought ideas and pictures from their shelter house. He suggested an “open air” concept with a closed kitchen/storage area with a serving window in order to showcase nature and the river; rather than a “closed” concept and garage type doors. He suggested an apron around the shelter, outside lighting, sliding doors or nylon/plastic roll-up for wind protection, and a more “wow” effect. He didn’t think the cost would be much higher. **ACTION:** Because the City has already approved the current design and advertised for bids until September 13th, 2019; the board will wait and revisit this in October. Our goal is to have this completed by mid-June 2020.
- C. Splash Pad Update:** The City Council approved the Joint Powers Agreement with the School District at the September 3 Council meeting. There were a few “word” changes needed and then it was sent back to the school board. The Splash Pad Committee will have one last funding push to add more features to the Splash Pad.
- D. Safety First Park Audit Update:** Board will need to prioritize where to start—probably with most used parks and Ashley Park first because we are already working on shelter house. Matt mentioned that some of the upgrades could be done by city staff. **ACTION:** Board members were asked to review the Park Assessment before the next meeting.
- E. Signage Update:** Lynne received a quote from EyeKandy for the remaining three Park Signs and emailed it to board members. A motion was made by Mike Gruhlke and seconded by Larry to approve the EyeKandy quote. Passed unanimously. Matt will sign the agreement with Jeff.
- F. Phil’s Report:** Phil was absent.
- G. Other:**
1. Tennis Court Lining: have not received a date for this yet.
  2. Dewey Street Sidewalk/Trail: City and School District approved the increase in cost.
- H. Next meeting** will be Tuesday, October 8th at 5:30 at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted by Lynne Anderson with notes from Luke