

Minutes from CARC Dec. 8, 2016

Meeting called to order 7:05 PM

In attendance: Dave Bankhead, Ron Hunt, Vicky Montgomery, Dan Christian, Bill Whyte, Emily Williamson and Matt Hull

Softball Field Grant Update: Matt Hull

Bids went out, but closest bid was still \$100,000 more than our grant. The biggest expense was the earthworks therefore Matt suggested changing the plan so less fence and earthwork are required. Lowest bidder said that he'd lower his bid if the amount of grading were reduced. Matt presented "Plan B" in which there is the same layover, but the field elevation is dropped. It limited 60% of the cubic yards of dirt moved, but topsoil still required so not enough savings. "Plan C" flips fields into flatter area; 75% less grading needed. It is possible to move road so it runs straight into parking lot. Matt spoke with another contractor who thought he could do it for "less."

Next step is to re-do construction plan for the DNR to reapprove. Chip is no longer our contact man; we have a new lady. Our cost at this time is null increase because Matt wants to get this project done. Questions asked:

1. Are there state specs we need to worry about? No, just Fed. expectations outlined in grant.
2. What comes after approval from DNR? We hope to have approval by end of January, and then get new bids while it stays open through Feb. and March. Install field in April.

Motion made by Ron Hunt to have final "plan C" option sent to DNR for approval. Upon approval, get drain commission approval, and then put the plan out to bid. 2nd by Vicky Montgomery; no discussion; So moved- 5 yes; 0 no.

Tennis Courts- no change. Bids too high, season over for resurfacing.

Other community ball fields: Dave asked Dan what other fields are available and Dan said they are all used. He will check on fees for he's not sure what they are.

Bill Whyte said we can have a copy of photos for 5 year plan.

Dave and Ron gave approval for Emily Williamson to speak at Women's Giving Circle in February with Jan Day. We will request funds to support Everybody Plays who is the 501C3 that supports the softball grant.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Emily Williamson
1/5/17