

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Work Session Meeting
January 27, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: By Mayor Ridge on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Council members Dyer, Mayor Pro-Tem Armitage, Baker, Weissenborn, Mayor Ridge, City Clerk Terpstra and City Manager Guetschow.

ABSENT: None.

Council member Hoogstra arrived at 6:05 p.m.

PARK ADVISORY BOARD -DISCUSSION -OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

DPW Director Gilson gave an overview of the Parks Board. She stated that Chris Burt was unable to attend. She stated that the board has three year terms. She stated that the board is comprised of five voting members and 2 non-voting members. She stated that they like to have a student liaison on the board but currently do not. She stated that they have six meetings per year. They are involved in making recommendations to the council for the parks.

CAMP FRANCES BOARD – DISCUSSION -OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

Cathy Bogner, President of the Board and Martha Lawrence, Vice President were present. Cathy stated that some of their goals are to replace the porch/deck area, hopefully with a composite type material for less maintenance. They would like to work on board member recruitment. They are currently down two board members and may be down three soon. They are working on the maintenance process to have someone to fix things when needed. They are also looking at the

cleaning process as they periodically have trouble with renters cleaning as required at the end of their rental.

City Manager Guetschow explained the relationship between the City and Camp Frances and the functions that the City does for Camp Frances.

Long terms goals include more revenue and possibly an air conditioning unit for the cabin.

CHARLOTTE AREA RECREATION- DISCUSSION- CO-OP OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSION:

Dave Bankhead, Trustee, Eaton Township, explained that the Recreation Co-op consists of intergovernmental units working together and also partnering with the schools for years. Some of the projects they have done include the

- ice rink at Lincoln Park
- bathrooms for Camp Frances
- refurbished the tennis courts
- lighting at the sledding hill
- sound system for courthouse square
- softball field at the industrial park

The board is comprised of seven members, two from each township, two from the City and one rotating between townships every 2 years.

Mayor Ridge adjourned the work session at 6:55 P.M.

Mayor Yvonne Ridge

Ginger Terpstra, City Clerk, CMMC