

January 16, 2002  
7:00 P.M.  
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton attended the Park Board meeting on Wednesday, January 16, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Room.

Present: Commissioners Groshong, Dave McClain and Lentz.

Absent: Mayor Bohannon and Commissioner John McClain.

Park Board members that were present were Susan Hundley, Bill Williams, Terry Ottman, Dan Knudson, and Randy Fassnacht.

Susan Hundley opened the meeting. Motion by Dan Knudson to approve the minutes of the previous Park Board meeting in October. Seconded by Randy Fassnacht.

Commissioner Groshong thanked the members for being on the board and giving of their time. He asked if the board had any problems with the way the Caretaker position was set up or any complaints from last year. Randy Fassnacht advised that the trash had not been picked up as well as it should have been the previous year and Dan Knudson expressed concern that the City might be missing some camping fees because of the honor system. Susan Hundley again stated that they felt the Caretaker's house should be repaired or replaced. Commissioner Groshong advised that the Commission does not want to put any more money into the house and that there was a possibility of Rodney Paden's mobile home being available in the future.

Commissioner Lentz stated that he felt something should be done with the Lake itself before putting any money into a house. Commissioner Lentz knows of an individual who works for Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks and writes grants for lakes. He will try to get more information.

Bill Delzeit, supervisor of the city light department, was present to give the board an overview of a lighting project for the baseball fields. He advised that over a 3-4 year period they would replace 8 poles and 5 lights on each pole. The board felt the funds for this project are not available and would like it presented later when a source for funds can be found. Mr. Delzeit inquired about whether the board would want the poles in the outfield left where they are now or moved closer. They are currently 45' from the fence line. Bill Williams advised they had plenty of time to decide that. Commissioner Lentz advised that he would contact the Conwell Foundation about giving money towards this project. Mr. Conwell is the owner of Pat's Thriftway.

The board next discussed the Pool and Lake fees. Motion by Randy Fassnacht to leave the lake fees the same as last year. It was decided to take each item one at a time. Motion by Randy Fassnacht to leave the boating rates the same as last year. Seconded by Bill Williams. All aye.

Motion by Bill Williams to leave the rate for tents at \$5.00 a day. Seconded by Randy Fassnacht. All aye.

Motion by Dan Knudson to leave the electric rates at \$2.00 a day. Seconded by Randy Fassnacht. All aye.

Motion by Terry Ottman to raise the seasonal camping rate to \$110.00. Seconded by Dan Knudson. Aye-Terry Ottman, Susan Hundley, Bill Williams, Dan Knudson. Nay—Randy Fassnacht.

Susan Hundley stated that the pool concessions had lost over \$2,000 last season. There followed a discussion of the reasons why this may have happened. The Board requested that the City Clerk check into leasing the concessions to someone else or using vending machines. It was noted that the concessions are the only part of the pool that makes money.

Motion by Dan Knudson to leave the pool rates the same as last year. Seconded by Bill Williams. Aye—Bill Williams, Dan Knudson, Randy Fassnacht, Susan Hundley. Nay—Terry Ottman. There being no further business brought to the board the meeting was adjourned.

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Candice S. Schmitt, City Clerk

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Dave McClain, Acting Mayor