

## Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes from 06-18-2018

The Parks and Recreation Committee held a meeting on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the El Paso City Hall. The meeting convened after the regularly scheduled Council Meeting ended. Time of meeting start was 8:25 PM.

The 1<sup>st</sup> item that was discussed was the swimming pool and the status of the permit for installation of the screens. Farnsworth is scheduled to deliver the updated application to the Illinois Dept of Health on Tuesday for possible review on Wednesday.

Discussion was held about what we could do at the pool to help make up for the inconvenience to the Public. The Council agreed to Prorate the pool pass cost during its regular meeting. There will be free swimming the day of the Tractor/ Car Show. We will evaluate as the season goes on whether to delay Pool closing if weather and lifeguard availability allow.

The Recreation Department will give updates on Social media about the status of the pool.

Discussion was also held about parking on grass near Subway Field. During the games this year people are still parking on the grass rather than walk from the designated parking areas. Jack and Derek will evaluate how to address this issue. One suggestion was to clean up and properly store the harrows and other ball diamond care equipment. It was noted also that the harrows are being left points up after use. This is a Safety concern that will be addressed immediately.

Considerable discussion was held concerning background checks. Councilman Brucker stated that he is a coach this year and has limited help on the field. He said that he has been overwhelmed at times but has had to turn help away due to the lack of checks. It was clarified that the El Paso Gridley School background check was considered adequate as well. The Committee believes that the checks are needed and that we can continue to require them.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Notes respectfully submitted by Jack Hickok, Director of Public Service.