



**Parks & Recreation Commission
MINUTES**
Thursday, December 3, 2020, 6:00 pm
Virtual ' Zoom' Special Meeting



1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Commissioner Hahn called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Recorder Quintanilla completed a roll call.

Parks and Recreation Commissioners, City Council Liaison, and Staff Present:

Commissioner Ken Hahn	Jim Millbauer, City Council Liaison
Commissioner Dean Aeling (6:04pm)	Emily Estes-Cross, Parks and Recreation Director
Commissioner Jack Anderson	Greg Duffy, Parks and Facilities Deputy Director
Commissioner Ty Fischer	Ian Dezember, Parks Maintenance Manager
Commissioner Rob Heston	Isa Quintanilla, Recorder

Absent: unexcused
Commissioner Linda Stroben

2. VISITORS –This meeting, held online thru Zoom had two visitors:

Dennis Fife President of Master Gardeners Foundation Benton Franklin Counties
509-440-3070 fifedj@gmail.com

David Hammond Member of Benton Franklin Master Gardeners
509-528-8484 dfhamm@gmail.com

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Master Gardeners request for modification to greenhouse project at Highlands Grange Park by adding a fence.

Chairman Ken Hahn reminded the Commissioners that several months ago, Master Gardeners requested to place a greenhouse near their gardens at the Highlands Grange Park. This was approved. They are awaiting final inspection as this is almost 100% complete.

Mr. Fife and Mr. Hammond explained there has been vandalism at the site, including damage to the building and a monument stolen. They are very concerned about their plants stored in the green house prior to their annual plant sales, valued between \$5,000 - \$10,000. They are requesting to add a vinyl-coated black fence, similar to a chain link fence, to secure the greenhouse. They have received quotes and have the funds to pay for the project. They believe the fence will deter the vandalism. Once approved, it can be installed in two to three days. Parks and Facilities Manager Ian Dezember asked that the Master Gardeners call-in for a locate before digging the ground for fence posts. They agreed. It was asked if they considered adding barbed wire on top of the fence. They felt this was not necessary and added that those who want to get in will find a way.

Commissioner Heston made a motion to amend the greenhouse project to include a fence, paid by the Master Gardeners, with a second from Commissioner Anderson. The motion passed unanimously.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Isa Quintanilla, Recorder