

Laurel Park Board Minutes for March 6, 2025.

In attendance were Richard Klose, Phyllis Bromgard, Irv Wilke, Tom Canape, Paul Kober and Jon Rutt.

Kurt Markegard was in attendance for the city.

Renee Studiner was a visitor

The meeting was called to order at 5:28 and Michelle Mize was in attendance for the Tree Board.

Public Comment: Michele Mize said that Laurel is still a Tree City USA and Arbor Day will be scheduled for the Fall of 2025.

1. **Minutes from February 6 meeting** - Phyllis Bromgard made a motion and Richard Klose seconded, motion passed.

#### **New Business**

2. **Baseball Netting for Billie Riddle Splash Park** – Tom Canape made a motion to spend \$600 to purchase Netting. Richard Klose 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion was approved.

#### **Old Business**

3. **Other Parks** – List of repairs for playground equipment has been made and parts are ordered.
4. **Riverside Campground/other items** – Code enforcement checks the campground daily. The shower building demo and cleanup continues.
5. **American Legion Building at Riverside Park** – Security doors have been installed to further protect the contents.
6. **Riverside Park/Lead Cleanup** – Moving slowly and waiting for the Health Department to complete inspection.
7. **Riverside Hall/Lions Club** – Utilities have been transferred to the Lions Club. They want to insulate and continue to replace the windows. Discussion followed on the city helping with insulation and/or looking for grants to accomplish upgrades. Kurt brought up the CIP (Capital Improvement Projects). This needs to be updated to allow money to be spent on these types of projects. Kurt also brought up the Exxon Mobil penalty account has \$283,000 available for projects in the CIP.
8. **Merging with the Tree Board** – Waiting on the City Attorney for a decision. 2 Ordinances need to be combined to make this possible and we will finish this at the next meeting.
9. **Bathrooms at Billie Riddle Splash Park** – The discussion was on using a prefab FW&P building to set on the site. These cost about \$60,000 and need to be added to the CIP.

#### **Other Items**

Nothing to report

April 3rd is the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28