



**CITY OF LAUREL
PARK BOARD
THURSDAY, March 2, 2023
5:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 5:30 by Irv Wilke with Richard Herr, Richard Klose, Evan Bruce, Paul Kober, Phyllis Bromgard and Jon Rutt in attendance. Matt Wheeler was the city representatives in attendance.

Cami Nelson from the Chamber and Craig Burbee from the Legion Baseball were in attendance.

Public Input: *Citizens may address the committee regarding any item of business that is not on the agenda. The duration for an individual speaking under Public Input is limited to three minutes. While all comments are welcome, the committee will not take action on any item not on the agenda.*

No Comments

General Items

1. Approval of Park Board Minutes of February 2, 2023
Evan B moved and Richard K 2nd and the motion was approved.

New Business

2. Maintenance of Jaycee Hall for Renting – Consumables were discussed and Matt said the city would add to the morning rounds of checking toilets. Also some discussion on promoting the campground. The City will put on Facebook page.
3. Walking and Bike Path in the Laurel Area – There is a Billings Area Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Council for the county that has no one from Laurel on it. The annual report was discussed. Jon made a motion to have the City Council discuss the ability to have a bicycle and walking path program in Laurel and participate with the County. Motion approved.

Old Business

4. Playground Equipment at Lions Park - Lion's have ordered parts to repair the broken pieces and working with F, W, and Parks on the broken windmills at the pond.
5. Splash Park at Thompson Park – Proceeding with the project and the contractor is expected around the 1st of April. City has done all it can preparing for the work. \$150,000 has been raised. Some discussion on the use of the Pool House by the Legion Baseball program. Craig Burbee explained the plan to fix up and paint the building. Jon made a motion to include the building in the Legion Baseball rent for a \$50 a year fee, Richard K 2nd and motion passed.
6. American Legion Building – No New
7. Riverside Park Updates – Walking Trail is almost completed around the perimeter of the park.
8. Russell Park Project – Project is a go and a new playground will be installed equal or better than Kids Kingdom..

Other Items

Cami from the Chamber brought up the possibility of a dog park in town. Possible locations were discussed of the 5 acres on West 9th and the 12 to 13 acres above Fir Field.

Craig Burbee summarized the projects at the Legion Baseball Field:

New lights are being installed this spring, Yellowstone Bank is sponsoring a new Scoreboard, hosting the State

Tournament in Laurel this summer and possible locations for a batters cage and a turtle (Batting practice foul ball control) on south side of field.

Announcements

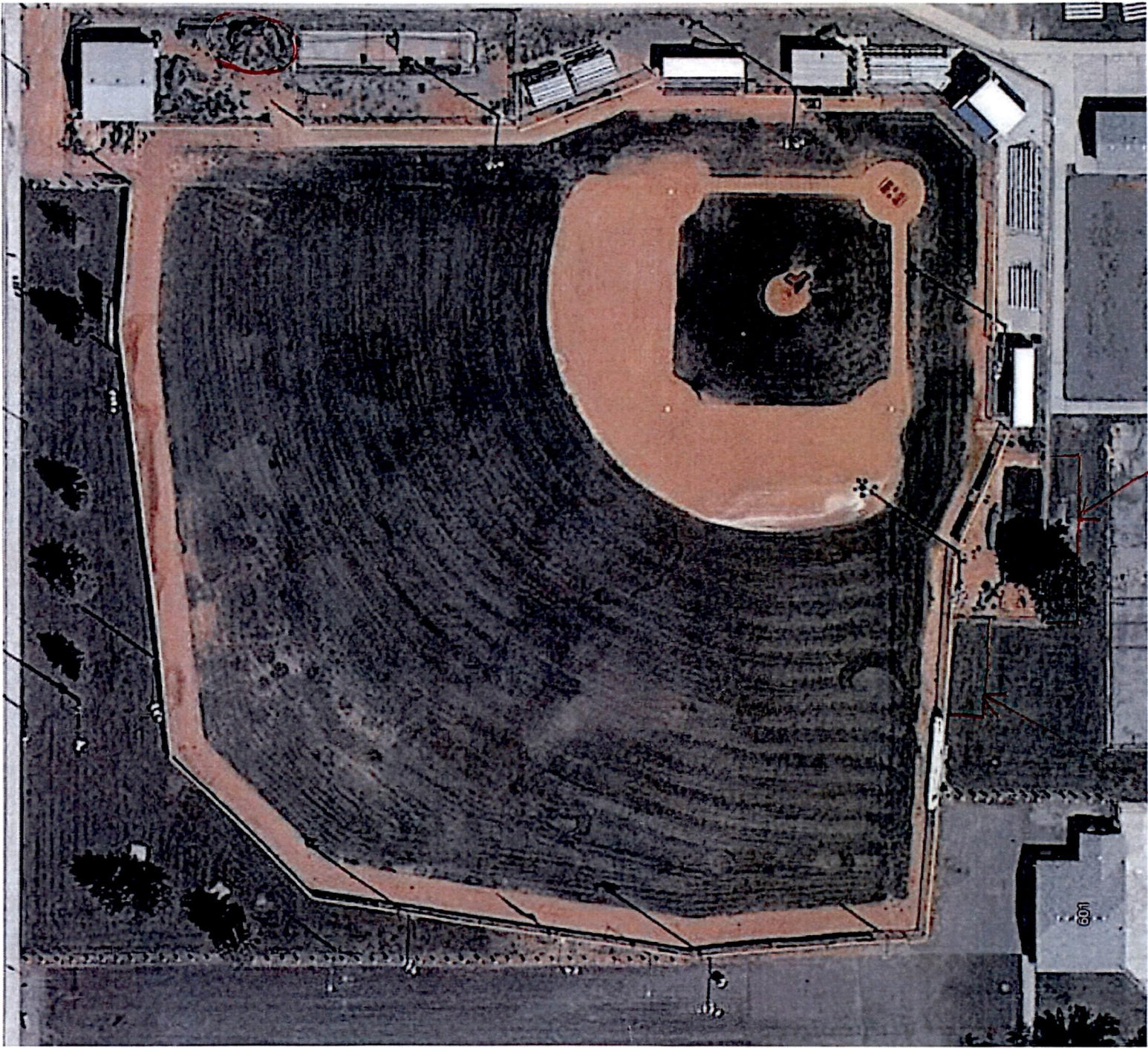
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DATES TO REMEMBER

9. Next meeting April 6, 2023

Meeting was adjourned at 6:44

Jon Rutt



Potential Turtle Location

Potential Batting Cages