

**Special Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Feb. 13, 2023**

**Present:** Jane Hayes, Nina Hendricks, Gretchen McPherson, Shon Owens, Eric Seib, April Watson, Crystal Weatherington, Tony DeGraaf, Herb McPherson, Mike Adams

**Meeting Call to Order:** Eric Seib

**Park Report:** This meeting was being held as a discussion over Bray Hendricks Park. Mr. Seib presented the council with the current park funding as well as future possibilities of funding for phases 2 and 3 (attached). Discussion followed.

The phase plans were presented (attached) by Ms. Weathering using pricing that was a part of the first bids. Those bids were all rejected due to the cost of the entire project being too much. Ms. Weatherington took the project and split it into 3 phases. Discussion followed regarding the lift stations and the possibility of using the current lift station at the community center. Ms. Weatherington will check to see if this is a possibility to save money. Mayor Owens asked if the COVID grant for the community center could be used to upgrade the lift so that it could be utilized. Ms. Weatherington and Mr. Seib will check into this possibility.

Mr. Seib and Ms. Weatherington had a meeting with the STOA architects last week. Meeting notes are attached. The architects stated that the concession stand would cost between \$150 - \$200 per square foot. The current plan is a 5,000 square foot building. Discussion followed. The council decided to finish the bottom floor (restrooms and concessions) but not to finish the 2<sup>nd</sup> story at this time.

Ms. Weatherington asked the council how they would like to handle the bid process. Discussion followed. Mayor Owens stated that he would like to get separate bids on the fencing and electrical work. The council agreed.

Mr. DeGraaf discussed with council the possibility of a smaller structure for the concession stand. Councilwoman Hendricks stated that the building was being designed for more than just Jay Recreation's use and that the plan was for it to be utilized for other Town events or rentals. Discussion followed.

Ms. Weatherington will continue to work with all those involved with the project and the Town Council to continue progress.

Mayor Owens made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Hendricks. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

  
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Donna Bullock, Town Clerk

  
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Shon Owens, Mayor