City of Fort Calhoun Parks Board April 7, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- 1. Kris Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:03.
- 2. Kris Richardson announced Open Meeting Compliance Act.
- 3. Roll call:

Board members Kris Richardson, Jerry Barabas, Bob Lammers, Sara Ruthven, Karli Johnson and Park Board Commissioner, John Kelly, were all in attendance. Bob Lammers was absent.

- 4. Approval of March Meeting minutes was moved by Sara, seconded by James . All in favor to approve.
- 5. Mayor Robinson addressed the board and expressed thanks for their efforts on parks projects in recent years. The board appreciated his attendance and comments.

Unfinished Business:

- 6. Community Coordinator, Deb Sutherland gave park related updates to board members. The updates were as follows:
 - a. The 2022 city tree grant was approved and the location for the new trees will be flagged next week
 - b. New tables and benches for Adams Street Plaza and West Market Square Park have arrived and will soon be installed.
 - c. Two diggers will soon be installed in the gravel portion of Pioneer Park near the playground equipment.
 - d. The trail grant at Adams Street Plaza has been approved and will be added this spring. OPPD has installed decorative lighting in the park and will make minor adjustments.
 - e. Vandalism at Pioneer Park and West Market Square park has increased, and the City is aware of this issue. Park board members discussed ways to decrease the vandalism such as possibly installing cameras in the parks. Park board members would like the basketball hoops to be at the 10' fixed height due to kids climbing and bouncing on the rims.
- 7. 2022 Amenities
 - a. Park board members discussed their ideas for a small climber to be added to Pioneer Park and West Market Square Park. Deb Sutherland will reach out to previously used suppliers for playground equipment options.

New Business:

 The annual park audit has been rescheduled due to weather. The new date for the park audit is May 5th at 6:00.

Meeting Adjourned:

At 8:06pm meeting adjournment was motioned by Jerry and seconded by Karli. All in favor.