

## **MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN**

### **Public Hearing**

**April 17, 2023**

### **Playground – Clearview Island**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Bel-Nor met in public session pursuant to state law at the City Hall, 8416 Natural Bridge Road, Bel-Nor, MO 63121 at 7:00 p.m. April 17, 2023. Alderman Terri Durand, Alderman Charlee McBride, Alderman Jan Nelson, Mayor Bill Hook, and City Clerk, Diana Krosnicki were present.

Mayor Hook introduced Lindsay Weis-Smith from the Weis Design Group, the City's Engineering firm.

Lindsay Weis-Smith explained that after receiving feedback from elected officials and residents, she has designed a playground suited for children 2 to 12 years. A conceptual site plan shown was shown adjacent to Clearview Plaza. Some locations could change – including benches, trash receptacles, and the pad area.

Lindsay Weis-Smith further explained the slide would be part of an ADA compliant playground, surface would consist of synthetic turf, which drains well and has lower maintenance requirements.

Lindsay Weis-Smith showed the top-down rendering of the concept with lay of the land, use best to benefit of city, with a concrete ribbon all the way around, not as high as shown, highest at tree based on the grade of the land – a complete survey and design will follow when and if the construction grant is approved.

Following discussion, Lindsay Weis-Smith showed the Ultimate Adventure Playground and answered public there would be fence and 4' gate, 1100 to 1200 square feet. Preliminary cost estimate is \$223,583.43. Need to accommodate retaining wall due to slope.

Mayor Hook asked Lindsay Weis-Smith to note that the Arborist recommends chain link fence during construction around tree.

Following discussion Lindsay Weis-Smith explained costs not set - more specifics to job and bid openings to come up. St. Louis County Grant Commission will pay based on population and our history of grants received. Residents can go to [muniparkgrants.org](http://muniparkgrants.org) for more information.

Lindsay Weis-Smith explained her job working for city and answered questions from the public. There would be on street parking, with appropriate turf, signs, age limits.

Mayor Hook answered there would need clean up routine and further explained grants received.

Alderman Nelson explained the Park Grant Commission point system – applications due end of August.

There being no further comments the public hearing closed and Mayor Hook thanked Lindsay Weis-Smith.

Public Hearing closed at 7:35 p.m.

**Minutes prepared by Diana Krosnicki, City Clerk.**

**Meeting Minutes Approved by Board of Alderman on \_\_\_\_\_.**

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**Meeting Minutes Approved by Mayor on \_\_\_\_\_.**

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**Mayor**