

CITY OF BEECH GROVE  
MINUTES – PARK BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

The regular scheduled meeting of the Park Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Beth Berg, Board President.

Roll Call Board Members present: Beth Berg, Joe Prindle, Bruce Bye, Mike Pence, Rick Skirvin, Tom Hannan-Director, Parks Department. Excused-Cindy Montgomery.

Guests None

Minutes The minutes of the August meeting were approved as typed, motion-Bruce, second-Joe, all aye, none opposed.

Claims There were no new claims to review.

Director's Report Fitness – 1 new 3-month pass - \$55.00, 6 renewed 3-month passes - \$240.00, daily passes - \$10.00, year-to-date \$2,805.00

Combo – 1 renewed 3-month pass - \$70.00, year-to-date \$230.00

Group Exercise – 2 renewed 3-month passes - \$80.00, year-to-date \$1,395.00

Senior – 4 renewed 3-month passes - \$160.00, year-to-date \$1,910.00

Hornet Park Room Rentals – August - \$1,281.25, year-to-date \$13,137.50

Shelters – 22 @ \$65.00 each - \$1,430.00, year-to-date \$12,155.00

Dog Park – August- \$205.00, year-to-date \$3,480.00

Tom reports the concert-in-the-park went well. The maintenance building was open and port-a-potties were provided for the event. Approximately 250 were in attendance. Soccer has begun. He will be contacting them to discuss anchoring their goals and issues he has with their trash removal. He did provide them with a new net because one was damaged during mowing. The park re-landscaped Emerson and Main. Due to its condition, it was necessary to pull everything and replant. They are continuing with mowing, watering the plants and general maintenance on the Park vehicles.

Beth reported the Park's budget and the Community Center budget combined for this year is about \$399.00 less than last year's budget.

Greenscape Commission Report: Beth shared that Brenda Wilson has joined the Commission replacing Lynn Huff.

Tuesday, October 8, at 6:00 p.m., has been confirmed as the date and time for this year's Arbor Day Tree Planting Ceremony. Mr. Kaufman, the BGHS science teacher will be getting a Beech tree to plant in front of the high school with the FFA

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students. The FFA is also planning a "Day of Service" in the community for Friday, May 16, 2013. The students are starting to organize the event and we will be hearing more about it at a later date.

Dave Miller inspected the Ash tree at the ball diamond that Tom mentioned last month and recommended some dead branches be removed, but the tree is otherwise sound. He also reported three dying or dead Sugar Maple trees on South 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenues to Brad for removal.

The next Greenscape Commission meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m., on Monday, September 16, 2013, at the Hornet Park Community Center.

Unfinished  
Business

2015-2019 Parks Master Plan: Bruce would like the Board to meet with the Clerk Treasurer to discuss where the funds from the cell tower will be allocated and if the Parks Department will have access to either a partial amount or all of the funds. It will help with going forward on the 2015-2019 Parks Master Plan and towards improvements to the park. Beth will formally request the funds from the Clerk Treasurer. The Board approved Bruce's request for Mr. Nierzwicki to attend our next Park Board meeting, at no cost, to answer questions regarding his consulting proposal.

High School Exercise Classes at the Community Center: Beth reports the meeting with the Superintendent went well. As per the Memorandum of Understanding, in lieu of payment, the school will paint the aerobics room and provide a large screen T.V., with a DVR for the classes and community to utilize. Motion-Bruce to approve signing the Memorandum once language is added stating the schools will provide the necessary Certificate of Liability Insurance naming the City as an additional insured, second-Mike, all aye, none opposed.

Review of Parks Board Policies and Procedures: Joe reports the ordinances have been updated. Tom requests the Board submit ordinances to City Council for a speed limit and one where no operation of motorized vehicles in the park except for the paved areas be in place so Beech Grove Police Dept. can enforce them.

Fees for Community Center Room Rentals: Beth reports the City Attorney agreed accepting a nominal fee in place of a Certificate of Liability Insurance when renting a room at the Community Center would be acceptable. The Board will discuss this pricing at our next scheduled meeting.

New  
Business

Weight Watcher's requested a waiver of fees for usage of a meeting room at the Community Center every Thursday of the month. They will provide a Certificate of Liability Insurance naming the City as an additional insured. Motion-Joe approve waiving the fees from September until December 2013 then revisit it in December after seeing how classes go, second-Rick, all aye, none opposed.

The next Parks Board meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Monday, October 14, 2013, at the Hornet Park Community Center.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:56 p.m., motion-Rick, second-Joe, all aye, none opposed.

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_