

CITY OF BEECH GROVE
MINUTES-PARK BOARD MEETING
August 13, 2012

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Park Board was called to order at 6:32pm by Beth Berg, Board Vice-President.

- Roll Call Board Members present: Beth Berg, Joe Prindle, Cindy Montgomery, Tom Coons. Tom Hannan-Director Parks Dept. Excused-Rick Skirvin. Beth Berg read an email from Ed Marks sent on August 13, 2012 stating he is resigning from the Park Board effective immediately. Marks thanked everyone that he had the privilege to serve with on the Park Board for the past 8 years.
- Guests Joellen Casetter.
- Minutes The minutes of the July meeting were approved with the correction changing damn to dam, motion-Joe Prindle, second-Tom Coons, all-aye.
- Claims The Board viewed the claims.
- Director's Report Fitness – 11 renewed 3-month passes for \$440.00, 3 daily for \$15.00, total \$455.00, year-to-date \$3,865.00.
- Group Exercise – 1 new 3-month pass for \$55.00, 4 renewed 3-month passes for 160.00, 5 daily for \$25.00, total \$240.00, year-to-date \$2,270.00.
- Senior – 1 new 3-month pass for \$55.00, 7 renewed 3-month passes for \$280.00, total \$335.00, year-to-date \$2,170.00.
- Combo – 1 employee pass (school) for \$5.00, 1 renewed 3-month pass for \$70.00, total \$75.00, year-to-date \$185.00.
- Hornet Park room rental fees totaled \$445.00, year-to-date \$9,825.00.
- 10 shelters were reserved totaling \$650.00, year-to-date \$8,905.00.
- Dog Park June total \$420.00, July total \$285.00.
- Beth Berg asked Director Hannan if LTD mowed all park property. Hannan said no LTD mows as needed the Little League, Girls softball,

Holy Name's 16th and Detroit, Police and Fire, behind SG Park, the triangle at 465.

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Director Hannan asked the Board for approval to declare the following surplus materials: (1) Craftsman 5.5 Horse Power High Wheel String Mower, (1) Snapper 6 Horse Power High Wheel 26" Cut Walk Behind Self-Propelled Mower, (1) Snapper 14 Horse Power 42" Cut Walk Behind Self-Propelled Mower with Surrey Attachment. After discussion Joe Prindle motioned to accept the Director's request to declare the list of items as surplus materials, second-Tom Coons, all-aye.

Tom Hannan read a letter from Nancy Roberts stating she is retiring December 21, 2012. Mrs. Roberts stated she appreciated the opportunity that was afforded her to work at the Hornet Park Community Center and for the City of Beech Grove. Joe Prindle motioned to accept the retirement of Nancy Roberts, second-Tom Coons, all-aye.

The Board accepted the resignation of Ed Marks from the Park Board, motion-Tom Coons, second-Cindy Montgomery, all-aye.

The Board discussed extending fitness center benefits to the Library Board's appointed members. Nancy Roberts read the benefit as approved by the Park Board. Appointees receive one city employee \$5 membership, plus one \$5 membership for any qualifying person of their choice for the length of the official's appointment. Joe Prindle motioned to extend the benefit as read to the Library Board, second-Cindy Montgomery, all-aye.

Beth Berg asked if they have started any work in the park. Hannan stated the contracts have been signed for the creek bank work and now it is at the DNR. Hannan said the shelters are rented through September so Hilltop and SG will be torn down in October. It will take about 6 weeks for the new shelters to arrive after the order is placed. Hannan said everything will be ready next spring. Joe Prindle asked if concrete will be poured for the restroom. Hannan said they will dig a hole in the ground and then set the Vault.

Beth Berg stated the dedication for Don Challis Park was very nice. The sign and new plantings look good. Joe Prindle suggested putting a plaque on the sign with the date and time. Hannan said he would take care of it.

Beth Berg reported that Dave Miller and Tim Latimore talked with Dr. Paul Kaiser about tree planting at the school for the Arbor Day celebration. Berg said she could suggest the Dog Park or Hartman Park

also. Hannan stated there are several trees in Sarah Bolton Park and also at Hartman Park that will need to be replaced. Berg said they will discuss this at the next Greenscape meeting on Monday, August 20th at 6pm at the community center. Discussion was held about the tree bags for watering.

The Board discussed the Fireworks and Music event scheduled for August 25th. Berg said the fireworks still depends on the drought situation. Berg said they can use help with the clean-up on Sunday at 8am.

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New Business The Board received a letter from Diane Jester requesting a refund for Tulip shelter that she has reserved for Sunday, September 9 because of the port-o-potties and the way the park looks. Tom Coons suggested giving her credit for next year. After discussion, Joe Prindle motioned to give her credit toward a shelter for next year, Tom Coons seconded the motion and stated not to refund the money, all-aye.

A request was received from Psi Iota Xi Sorority asking for free usage of a room to hold their meetings. Nancy Roberts said all of the dates are ok except November 12th because of the Veterans Day holiday. Tom Coons motioned to approve the request minus November 12th, second-Cindy Montgomery, all-aye.

BGHS Alumni Association asked for a waiver of fees for usage of a room for their meetings. Joe Prindle motioned for approval, second-Tom Coons, all-aye.

BG Girls Scouts asked for free usage of ½ banquet room for their Open House on August 30th from 6-8:45pm. Cindy Montgomery motioned to approve the request, second-Tom Coons, all-aye.

Joe Prindle stated Butch Fenema asked about forming a dog watchers group that is interested in teaching and supervision at the Dog Park. Beth Berg said have him tell us more about it. Prindle said he would ask him to come to a meeting.

The September meeting will be held at 6:30pm at the community center.

Joe Prindle reported that someone is suppose to take Rick Skirvin's place on the Park Board.

Berg stated the Mayor will appoint a new member to the Board and it is a republican vacancy. Hannan said the Mayor is open for suggestions.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 7:28pm, motion-Joe Prindle, second-Tom Coons, all-aye.

Tom Coons, Secretary _____ Approved _____