

CITY OF BEECH GROVE  
MINUTES – PARK BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 11, 2013

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Park Board was called to order at 6:34 p.m., by Beth Berg, Board President

- Roll Call Board members present: Beth Berg, Joe Prindle, Bruce Bye, Cindy Montgomery, Tom Hannan-Director Parks Dept.
- Guests None
- Minutes The minutes of the January meeting were approved as typed, motion-Cindy, second-Joe, all aye, none opposed.
- Claims There were no new claims to review.
- Director's Report Fitness - 10 renewed 3 month passes - \$400.00, total \$400.00, year-to-date \$400.00.
- Group Exercise - 3 renewed 3 month passes - \$120.00, 1 renewed 6 month pass - \$80.00, 6 daily - \$30.00, total \$230.00, year-to-date \$230.00.
- Combo - 4 daily - \$20.00, total \$20.00, year-to-date \$20.00.
- Senior - 9 renewed 3 month passes - \$360.00, total \$360.00, year-to-date \$360.00.
- Hornet Park Room Rental - January - \$3,066.25, year-to-date \$3,066.25.
- Shelter Rentals - January - \$2,600.00, year-to-date \$2,600.00.
- Dog Park - January - \$810.00, year-to-date \$810.00
- Comparing revenues to last year in January, room rentals are essentially the same, shelter rentals are essentially the same, dog park rentals are up by about \$300.00 but the fitness center is about half of what it was last January. Planet Fitness is probably what is effecting our fitness center membership being down and why the senior membership was closer to what it was last year in January.
- Tom reported shelter installations are underway and they poured concrete today at Hilltop for the footings. They are going to pour the footings at

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Feb. 11, 2013 Don Challis park as well for the playground equipment. It should go pretty quickly depending on the weather. Joe asked when the bathrooms will be installed. Tom indicated the new building should be installed in about 10 days.

Unfinished  
Business Beth reported the Greenscape Commission is looking for a partner for this years Arbor Day Planting. Tim Latimer has approached council members to see if they know of a group who would be interested. Bruce indicated that the high school doesn't have any Beech trees and maybe they could partner with the Ag teacher, Chris Kaufman, and plant some Beech trees at the high school. They will probably plan on celebrating Arbor Day during the months of April, May, September or October as those are the best times to plant trees. The next meeting is Tuesday, February 19th at 6:00 p.m., at the Community Center.

Beth asked if there were any further suggestions for increasing the usage at Hornet Park. Alma stated letters along with our brochure are being mailed to local florist shops and places where wedding dresses are sold to provide them with information about our facility and requesting they possibly refer their clients to us for room rentals. Beth has found places that list event venues on line and a lot of them can be listed for free. The list will be forwarded to the Community Center.

The Community Center has also been added to the community web page along with directions to bring more attention to the facility.

New  
Business It is the time of the year to renew our Agreements with the Soccer Club and Little League for use of parks facilities. The agreements are usually worded the same with the exception of changing the dates and the lightening policy was added last year. The only issue with Soccer is we need to make sure they are securing their goals before they begin play and not parking on the grass. Motion - Joe to approve the Hold Harmless and the usage Agreements as written for Little League and Soccer, seconded by Bruce, all voted aye, none opposed.

Cindy stated she is an officer of Little League and is authorized to sign the agreements. She signed the documents and presented them to Alma.

A not-for-profit group called Epidermolysis Bullosa would like to use our facility to raise awareness for this disease. They would like the banquet room along with the kitchen for April 13, to hold a silent auction, have a bake sale and possibly a moon walk or bouncy house outside in the parking lot or grassy area. They would need to provide a Certificate of Insurance

Page 3 from the company renting the bouncy house before that would be approved.  
Feb. 11, 2013 Motion - Cindy to allow them to have a room with waiver of fees  
and after providing all the necessary insurance information, second - Joe,  
all voted aye, none opposed.

A group of student nurses would like to volunteer to help clean up  
the park in March and possibly help with the planting of the trees.

M.A.D.D., would like additional rooms for three different support  
groups they are beginning with a waiver of the fees. One of the support  
groups is for people who were injured in the crash, the second group  
is for people that are surviving friends and family members of crash  
victims and the third is for those that were the drunk drivers that  
seriously injured or killed someone in a crash but this one would be  
prescreened extensively over the phone. Motion - Joe to provide them  
with the extra rooms and dates as long as we have them available with  
a waiver of fees, second - Cindy, all voted aye, none opposed.

The next meeting of the Parks Board will be Monday, March 11, at  
6:30 p.m., at the Parks Director's office in Sarah T. Bolton Park.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m., motion-Bruce Bye,  
second-Cindy Montgomery, all aye, none opposed.

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