

CITY OF BEECH GROVE
MINUTES – PARK BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 11, 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, Bruce Bye, Joe Prindle and Tom Hannan-Director, Parks Department. Excused-Mike Pence, Rick Skirvin and Cindy Montgomery.

Guest None

Due to lack of quorum, no official business took place.

Minutes No Motions were made on the September and October meeting minutes due to lack of quorum.

Claims There were no new claims to review.

Director's Report Fitness – 1 renewed 3-month pass - \$40.00, 6 daily passes - \$30.00, year-to-date \$3,380.00

Combo – year-to-date \$230.00

Group Exercise – 2 renewed 3-month passes - \$80.00, 6 daily passes - \$30.00, year-to-date \$1,605.00

Senior – 1 new 3-month pass - \$55.00, 11 renewed 3-month passes - \$440.00, year-to-date \$2,540.00

Hornet Park Room Rentals – October - \$981.25, year-to-date \$15,456.25

Shelters – year-to-date \$12,480.00

Dog Park – October - \$90.00, year-to-date \$3,740.00

Tom reported the Halloween program went fairly well considering the weather. We had approximately 70 kids in attendance. He also passed out the remaining treat bags the next evening at City Hall.

The old swing set in the main playground has been removed and the new one is in place. A couple of rusted park benches have been removed and the bathrooms have been winterized. The parks have been cleaned and mowed for the last time this year unless we get another warm period. Next summer we will try to add some drinking fountains which will include a fountain for the dogs by the Dog Park.

The Public Works Department is in the process of purchasing a skid steer which the Parks Department can utilize by unloading trucks, digging holes for future trees

that need to be planted and it will also have a stump grinder which will save the Parks money as well.

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Greenscape Commission Report: Beth reports the Commission is currently working on the recertification of the City's Tree City application which is due by the end of this year.

Beth Berg's appointment to the Commission expires at the end of this year so an appointment will need to be made by the Parks Board.

The next Greenscape Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 18, 2013 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hornet Park Community Center.

Unfinished
Business

The Board members had discussions regarding the Parks Board Procedures and Policies, any changes to fee structures for 2014 which might include offering a fee reduction for a 6 month or yearly membership pass, nominal fee options for Non-Profit and other organizations in lieu of requiring a Certificate of Liability Insurance form, the status of the cell tower funds and the 2015-2019 Five Year Parks Plan. Beth also shared after speaking with the Clerk Treasurer and talking with the City Attorney, she was informed the Board should not waive fees for meetings or parties that are held where food is being served simply for the liability issues. She wants to look into this further and have this all in writing in the form of a directive to submit to the Board for review.

The next Parks Board meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., on Monday, December 9, 2013, at the Park Director's office in Sarah T. Bolton Park.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:49 p.m.

Secretary _____ Approved _____