

CITY OF BEECH GROVE  
MINUTES-PARK BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 10, 2011

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Park Board was called to order at 6:02pm by Ed Marks, Board President.

- Roll Call Board Members present: Ed Marks, Beth Berg, Tim Lentz, Joe Prindle, Tom Prickett. Tom Hannan-Parks Department. Excused-Rick Skirvin.
- Guests Joellen Castetter.
- Minutes The minutes were approved as typed, motion-Tim Lentz, second-Beth Berg, all-aye.
- Claims The Board reviewed the claims.
- Director's Report Fitness – 4 new 3-month passes for \$220.00, 9 renewed 3-month passes for \$360.00, 5 daily for \$25.00, total-\$605.00, y-t-d total \$6,855.00.
- Group Exercise – 1 new 3-month pass for \$55.00, 4 renewed 3-month passes for 160.00, 1 daily for \$5.00, total \$220.00, y-t-d total \$2,020.00.
- Senior – 7 renewed 3-month passes for \$280.00, 1 renewed 6-month pass for \$80.00, total \$360.00, y-t-d total \$4,350.00.
- Combo – 2 new 3-month passes for \$170.00, 1 renewed 3-month pass for \$70.00, 1 employee combo (city) for \$5.00, total \$245.00, y-t-d total \$1,705.00.
- Hornet Park room rental fees totaled \$2,095.00, y-t-d total \$17,903.75.
- 12 shelters were reserved for \$780.00 for a y-t-d total \$11,570.00.
- Dog Park total – Sept. \$188.00.
- Halloween Donations received from BG Promoters \$150.00, BG Alumni Assoc. \$50.00 for a total of \$200.00.
- Ed Marks stated the park looks great and that he has received a lot of positive comments.
- Unfinished Business Beth Berg reported 9 trees were planted last Saturday in Sarah Bolton Park to celebrate Arbor Day. Blue Sky and the Promoters Club had volunteers on hand to help the Park staff and members of the Greenscape Commission plant 4 Oak, 1 Tulip, and 4 Pine trees. The cost of the trees totaled \$992.75. The Lions Club will be donating 4 more trees.

Page 2            Berg stated the Commission is starting to work on the Tree City  
Oct. 10, 2011 certification which is due at the end of the year. The next Greenscape  
meeting is Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the community center.  
Ed Marks and Beth Berg conveyed their thanks to Tom Hannan and  
Randy Males for digging the holes for the tree planting.

After viewing a doctor's release the Board approved an extension of 43  
days for Bette Clements' senior pass, motion-Tim Lentz, second-Joe  
Prindle, all-aye.

New Business The City had Wessler Engineering conduct a site inspection to review the  
erosion problem and to develop a potential solution for the east side of the  
creek bank west of the Parks Dept. building in Sarah Bolton Park. Hannan  
stated the focus is to stabilize the creek bank before it causes structural  
problems to the road and parking lot, a row of shrubs has already been  
impacted. Gabion baskets could be used for bank stabilization, cheaper  
alternatives will be looked into. The silt area in the creek needs to be  
cleaned out. Beth Berg is studying Grant opportunities and suggested  
starting a Parks Foundation. The Board discussed the preliminary cost  
estimate and the priority ranking worksheet.

Richard McMullen emailed the Park Dept. regarding Lick Creek Cemetery  
which was originally a part of what is now Sarah Bolton Park. He wanted  
information about the remains of those buried there, asking if they were  
moved to another location and if there was a list of the known names of  
those interred in the cemetery. Tom Hannan said he checked with Little's  
Mortuary and they had no record of the bodies being moved. Hannan  
suggested adding a statement on the War Memorial about those buried  
there or to add another monument there and research the names. Marks  
said a monument should be placed there. Hannan said he would check on  
the pricing.

Tim Lentz stated he is resigning from the Park Board because he is  
moving out of Beech Grove. Marks thanked Tim for his years of service  
on the Board. Ed asked the Board Members to contact him or the Mayor's  
office if they knew of anyone that would be interested in joining the  
Board.

The Board discussed the Halloween party, Beth Berg and Ed Marks said  
they would be judges and Tom Hannan said he would take pictures.  
Marks asked Joellen Castetter if she would be a judge, she responded yes.  
The party is Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm at the Senior Center.

Joe Prindle reported after a lengthy process the Library has chosen  
Elizabeth Schoettle as the new Director to replace Diane Burns.

Page 3 She will start October 24<sup>th</sup>.  
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The Board reviewed a request from Tracy Williams McDaniels asking for a refund for the room rental and damage deposit for an Oct. 1, 2011 event. The Board agreed because they cancelled the event on September 27<sup>th</sup>, just 5 days prior, that only the damage deposit would be refunded. Beth Berg motioned to refund the \$250.00 damage deposit, second-Joe Prindle, all-aye.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm, motion-Beth Berg, second-Tom Prickett, all-aye.

Rick Skirvin, Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Approved 