

Waynesville Park Board Minutes August 13, 2009

Members Present: Roger Olney (Chairperson), Marti Bishop, JoAnne Bishop, Joe Oliver, Charles Kristek, Mike Prater, Loretta Carson

Also Present: Randy Brown (Acting Park Superintendent), Mike France (City Council), Luge Hardman (City Council), Bruce Harrill (City Admin.)

Visitor: Media

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:30.

Approval of Minutes: The unofficial minutes were approved, Marti Bishop made the motion to approve and JoAnne Bishop seconded.

Superintendent's Report

Randy Brown reported that the twentieth anniversary of the Stream Team was held in the park. The Fly Fisherman joined them, but didn't show up because the water in the creek was high. Mark Van Patten thanked the Park System on behalf of the scouts.

The area on H Highway has been tilled. However the Master Gardeners were not able to plant because it is too late. They will try it again in the Spring.

The Cave State Cruisers' event went well. They were pleased with the park. Randy Brown gave reasons why numbers were low. He said the reasons were the price of gas and another car show on the same day.

There was also a class reunion in the park. The reunion used pavilion 3, but there was no conflict between the two events, since it was held on the same day.

Cub Scouts were pleased with their event.

There were no activities in the park on July 4th. The flags were displayed in the cemetery. The display of the flags had many positive comments.

The softball field restoration has been started, but the grader is broken so the work will be completed next spring. There weren't many make ups.

On July 19th the Youth Recreational bar b que was held. It went well.

There has been vandalism in the men's restroom at the Roubidoux Park.

There is a problem in the Spring bathroom. Someone is using the floor as a commode.

The floor was cleaned.

R.V. Park Shower house doors and everything in storage were taken, including sinks. The items will be replaced by the insurance company. Coverdale received the bid to renovate the facility for approximately \$10,000.

On Old Settlers Day it was rainy and then hot, but it was a good turn out. Muzzleloaders' attendance has dropped. All groups were pleased with the park.

The 19th Combat Engineer Reunion will be in the park on September 10-12. On behalf of the group, Randy asked the Board to waive the fee for Pavilions 2 and 3.

The Park System has hired new personnel. They are Phillip Livingston and John Hammock. Randy reported that they are doing a good job and have great attitudes.

Soccer season starts on Saturday, August 15th. All nets are up and the fields will be striped next week. Randy said that he has spoken to the new Recreational Coordinator. The first game will be held on September 8th.

Boy Scout Troop 202 will have a Bike Rally/Rodeo in the lower park and will use Pavilion 4. The Rally will be held on the 22nd of August.

The doors to the bathroom have been repaired by Coverdale and someone has already damaged them. Randy thinks that someone threw rocks at them.

Randy Brown read two comment sheets that were positive from park users and told about a negative one. The two positive sheets said support and facilities were excellent and he explained that the negative sheet was his fault. He forgot about the arrangements so he called the lady with an apology.

Committee Report

Youth Sports – Charles Kristek reported that Stan Porter is the new Recreational Coordinator. He said that some baseball games were moved to Ft. Wood. He also said that the pitching machine is broken, but they are working on getting it fixed. A new one has been ordered and when the old one is repaired it will be use as a back up and practice machine.

He reported that football signup has been extended and the fields at Freedom Elementary maybe used.

New purchasing procedures have been started to insure the best price is received for supplies and equipment used in support of the rec. program.

The Recreation Board is thinking about changing the uniforms. They are looking for bids for jerseys or all pieces, including socks, shorts and jersey. They are looking for local

bibs and not looking to increase the cost to program participants.

They are also looking into adding other activities such as volleyball, aerobics, and adopt grandparents. These activities will be for adults and children.

The Board is looking into creating sports clinics in conjunction with the high school coaches.

There was a discussion about the price of the uniforms but Charles Kristek said the cost will not increase this year.

Old Business

Soccer Field Rehab – The grass is finally up. The work will continue on the fields this winter.

Softball field Fencing and Rehab - The grader is broken so the work will continue and the fields will be ready for the spring.

Park Maintenance Building – The work has begun. Measurements have been taken for the elevation. This is done because of the possibility of floods. It is taking time, but some work may be contracted out.

Roubidoux Spring Bathroom – A nice job was done by Coverdale.

R. V. Park Renovation – The bathroom renovation will cost between \$10,000 - \$12,000 to complete and that doesn't include what the city is doing. There is a materials cost estimate of \$9,000 for electricity and \$22,000 for water and sewer lines. The time frame is the middle of September. The total project cost will be less than contract costs for construction if it can be done in house.

The boulders are in site for the Roubidoux Creek Habitat Enhancement Project but can't be placed safely using City owned equipment. Roger will try and find the equipment necessary to help with the project. It needs to be completed before the work starts on the R.V. Campground renovation.

New Business

Combat Engineers Reunion – September 10 – 12, 2009 – Marti Bishop made a motion to waive the pavilion fees and Joe Oliver seconded. Motion was approved.

Boy/Cub Scout Rodeo – Joe Oliver made a motion to waive the fees and Marti Bishop seconded. Motion was approved.

City Park Board Ordinance – “Roger Olney said that the ordinance for the Board needs revising. There were three proposed changes. They are paragraphs C, E, and G. After a

short discussion and the suggestions were reviewed the Board voted on the changes. The Board recommended the changes by acclamation. Changes include lowering the number of board members to seven, creating a three year term instead of five, and better defining board responsibilities. Draft of proposal will be submitted to Mr. Harrill, then to City Council for approval.

Master Gardener Opportunity – Roger Olney told the Board about a Master Naturalist Training class. The class is 40 hours and begins on the 10th of September and runs until mid November. There will be fifteen months of training. He told interested Board Members to see Bruce for information.

Other Business

Roger Olney announced that there will be a planning meeting in the near future. It will be sometime in November. He told the Board to get a copy of the Master Plan for the City and to read it before that meeting.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Charles Kristek and seconded by Mike Prater. Meeting adjourned at 7:01