

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Princeton Parks & Recreation Board
Held on May 26, 2009, in the Chambers of City Hall

Chairperson Mark Schneider called the meeting to order at 6:30. Members present were: Blake Broding, Cheryl Goetz, Stephanie Ketterl, Dick Peterson, Mark Schneider and Scott Suhsen. Absent was Skeeter Lane for medical leave. Also present were Dick Dobson and Bob Gerold.

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Ketterl mentioned that the information under Skate Park header should instead have a Dog Park header. Peterson made a motion to approve the April 27, 2009 minutes and Ketterl seconded the motion. There being no further discussion a vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Fireworks Funding Request

Dobson pointed out that the park board donation for fireworks from the last meeting was a recommendation subject to approval by the city council. Everybody understood that.

MARK PARK

Plaque recognizing Mark Park donors: Schneider reported that the plaque is coming. It is 24" wide and 30" high and will be mounted on the left pillar as you enter Mark Park. We won't be able to add on to the plaque so if anyone is missed we will need to keep track of it and add a smaller plaque in the future. The plaque cost \$1700.

Splash Park: Schneider reported that the splash park opened for Memorial weekend. There were only 26 people total but the weather was not very good (cool) and there had been no advertising done. Until school is done the splash park will only be open n weekends. LeeAnn Hartigan is the new manager and she has hired 4 people as attendants. She has one new promotion planned: Santa in July.

Soft Ball Field Dugouts: Gerold reported that the school wants to put dugouts on softball field number 3. These are fenced in dugouts and will be paid for by the school. Goetz made a motion to approve the school putting in the dugouts. Motion was seconded by Broding. There being no further discussion a vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Base Ball Field Bleachers: Gerold reported that the school wants to put a concrete slab in for aluminum bleachers to set on by the new ball field. The slab will be paid for by the school and will be approximately 20' x 25'. Suhsen made a motion to approve the slab and Ketterl seconded the motion. There being no further discussion a vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Eagle Scout Project

Zack Foede presented a binder with a summary of the Pioneer Park project. There were fifteen bird houses put in. In addition, a map of the trails throughout the park was done with details on distances of each segment of trail. Gerold and Suhsen both asked that copies of the trail maps be made available to the park board.

Bike And Hike

Dobson reported that the city had approved the offer from Rick Johnson (West Branch Construction) to grade the trail from the new water treatment plant south to 313th.

Visionary Committee Update

There was no report and there has been only one visionary meeting since the last park board meeting.

Skate Park

Broding reported that about all he had found on skate parks was that Hastings was in a similar situation to ours and was not having luck with getting rid of their equipment. Gerold has a person interested in the equipment for \$500 and would also be responsible for moving it himself. There had been a motion in fall to sell the equipment but board members wanted to assure the city council to act on this. Ketterl made a motion to accept the \$500 for the skate park equipment plus the purchaser would have to move the equipment himself. Goetz seconded the motion. There being no further discussion a vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Dog Park

The issue of getting fence from the school district was discussed. Gerold will try to set up a meeting with the district business director, Carol Peterson, and Cheryl Goetz and himself to discuss this.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Peterson made a motion to adjourn. Goetz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:05.

Respectfully submitted - Scott Suhsen / Secretary