

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Princeton Parks & Recreation Board
Held on June 28, 2010, in the Chambers of City Hall

Chairperson Mark Schneider called the meeting to order at 6:35. Members present were: Blake Broding, Cheryl Goetz, Mark Schneider and Scott Suhsen. Todd Fredrick joined the meeting later. Absent were Carla Vita and Dick Peterson. Also present was Bob Gerold.

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There being no corrections to the minutes for the May 24, 2010 meeting Goetz made a motion to approve the minutes as. Broding seconded the motion. There being no further discussion a vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Mark Park:

Picnic Tables: Gerold reported that the tree has been moved and the hole filled by the playground. The new picnic tables are in place and getting used.

The DNR, as a follow-up to a grant we received in 1996, has done an inspection of Mark Park. In the splash park picnic shelter they are asking for one ADA picnic table at each end of the structure. They have also asked for the public restrooms to be ADA compliant. Suhsen suggested that replacing the top boards on a picnic table so that they hung out from one end might meet the ADA requirements.

Splash Park: Gerold reported that there has been some routine maintenance. He also approached ARC about getting a replacement fire hose fixture and they have offered one at no charge. The splash park has had more activity that last year at this time.

Riverside Park: Gerold reported there has been a lot of activity. The campground was over full while Habitat For Humanity was in town. Logic Electric updated all of the electrical hook-ups to 30 amp and PUC had supplied extra hookups while the campground was over full.

Rainbow Park: Gerold reported that there have been more dead oaks and more stumps to remove which will be done and then dirt hauled in and grass seeded.

Reibe Park: Lunda is NOT using the parking area in Reibe park, which means we will not be able to get the parking lot paved in exchange for its use. Schneider and Gerold reported the grass is coming in well and it will get mowed soon but not real short so that it can continue to get established.

We reviewed quotes the visionary committee got for signs for the disc golf course. They are now working on securing a grant to pay for those

Pioneer Park: Gerold reported that the DNR had also looked at Pioneer Park and had no issues there.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

Miscellaneous

Suhsen brought up the idea that we should consider having the splash park open on weekends in September since there is often nice weather yet at that time of year. We recognize that weekdays may be impossible because of staffing. Gerold will look at fitting that into next years budget.

Schneider brought up that we had been approached about donating for fireworks again but that we cannot use park dedication fees for anything other than park improvements or activity.

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Schneider brought up the issue with the absence of Dick Peterson this evening for the third meeting in a row. He summarized some of what has happened over the last few months with Peterson and that Peterson had submitted a letter of resignation which was not accepted by the city. By missing three meetings in a row, Peterson has made his resignation official per park board bylaws. Peterson has made it clear that he will continue with his duties on the Legion field. Suhsen made a motion for the city to post an open position on the city park board. Broding seconded the motion. There being no further discussion a vote was taken. Motion passed with Goetz passing the lone vote of dissension.

Goetz mentioned that Dick Dobson had asked the park board to start considering where they think trails should be in Princeton. Discussion turned to the planned trail around Mark Park. Gerold has plans to rough in the trail this summer as time allows with the staff he has. The subgrade could go in with city employees roughing in all the electrical for the lights. An electrician would have to do the final work on the lights and the paving would be done next year.

Frederick brought up that one area in Riverside Park outside of the normal parking area is not looking real good. Gerold has plans to block that area off, bring in dirt and seed it like was done with the area where people were driving down to the river.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Suhsen made a motion to adjourn. Broding seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:35.

Respectfully submitted - Scott Suhsen / Secretary