

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 24, 2013

Meeting called to order by Mr. Scott Gerlach, Chairman at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Scott Gerlach, Chairman
 Jennie Urtel, Secretary
 Tim Miner – unexcused absence
 Dean Whitcomb
 Steve Fletcher – excused absence
 Carl Towne
 Nancy Kessler – absence
 Paul Peters, Vice Chairman
 Chris Doozan, McKenna representative

Approval of May 28, 2013 meeting minutes

Voice vote: Ayes Unanimous
 Nays None

Announcements and Communications:

- Paul Peters stated that Lynn Rhodes would like to withdrawal her application for PAB consideration. She would like to provide her time on an as needed basis, participating in future Committee positions.

Motion to recommend Jason Bibby as PAB Member to Township Board for approval

Voice vote: Ayes Unanimous
 Nays None

- Carl Towne stated that Lyon Township is hoping to build a new Library and would like the PAB Members that are also on the SLARA Community Center Advisory Committee to make mention of that at the next meeting to see if there is a possibility for partnership
- Scott Gerlach stated that there is an agreement with Hometown Bicycle for the September 14th Mountain Bike Marathon. The preliminary flyer was handed out. There is a suggestion to include “Atchison Park” on the flyer.
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Call to Public:

- None

Reports:

Kite Fest:

- It was a great weather day
- Approx 3200 people attended
- Wrap up meeting is June 30th at 4pm.
- The live band was successful and attracted many adults to the event

Spark Plugs event:

- Swap meet was very successful
- Approx 100 cars were onsite

SLARA update:

- Summer camp started with approx 30 kids the first week and expecting 35 kids the second week.
- Safety town has started – Amy Allen invited to discuss Lyon Township building a safety town.
- Currently working on Fall brochure
- Compliment that Steve (with SLARA) has worked with South Lyon Junior League

Community Center:

- Proposal from the Firms have been received and interview are in process

Summerfest:

- Volunteers are needed – forms are on Township website
- Suggestion was made to see if the Chamber of Commerce for the South Lyon Area could also post the volunteer form on their website.
- Suggestion was made to send volunteer need to South Lyon Herald
- Suggestion was made to provide an incentive to the volunteer for their time

Lyon Township items from Rose Case:

- No new items

Operation Injured Soldier:

- No PAB members have seen an application. Need to follow up for future events

PAB Subcommittee's report

- Lacrosse – have not heard if agreement has been signed
- S.L. Junior League has signed the agreement
- Currently working with Panthers on contract
- There was a discussion regarding the general cleanliness of the park and the S.L. Junior League maintenance responsibility. Park area leading to baseball fields needs general cleanup. The sides of the road is overgrown and unkempt looking. There is also a need for simple signage leading to the baseball fields. Baseball fields look like they are unfinished

in areas. S.L. Junior League agrees that the field maintenance has slipped due to the S.L.J.L. currently in full playing schedule. During the fall the S.L.J.L. will be refocusing on the fields including adding gravel to the warning track and will tidy the fencing. Dean Whitcomb will be suggesting to S.L.J.L. that the field be used during their Fall season.

- Suggestion was made to include a line item in Fall to review the park and create a line item for spring cleaning.
- Suggestion was made if local youth groups could donate time to clean up and beautify the park.
- Scott Gerlach and Lannie Young have discussed their wish list items for the park, goals will be created

Fee Structure:

- Still discussing and gathering info

Approval of Agenda:

Voice vote: Ayes Unanimous
Nays None

New Business:

No new business

Unfinished Business:

Item 10a

- DNR specification indicates that even if no project is actively being planned the PAB can still get funding if the project is in the Goals and Objectives of the Park Master Plan
- Chris Doozan to photograph DNR funded projects for comparison's
- No additional items to add to Goals and Objectives, looks great.

Item 10b

- Info was sent to Steve Fletcher who then sent it to Rose Case and Lannie Young. The naming is in the works.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:13 p.m.

A voice vote was called: Ayes Unanimous
Nays None

Respectfully submitted

Jennifer Urtel
PAB Secretary