

MINUTES

PARK BOARD MEETING

May 17, 2011

5:15 BOGGS BULDING

The Warsaw Parks & Recreation Board met for its monthly meeting on May 17, 2011 at 5:15 PM at the Boggs Recreation Building. Attendance was noted as follows:

PRESENT: Steve Haines, Bill Baldwin, Diane Quance, Toby Sumpter, John Sadler, and Dan Robinson. Also: Jon Garber, Larry Plummer, Jr., Staci Young, and Gail Bryan, Secretary.

ABSENT: None.

GUESTS: Pat Brown, SiteScapes, Inc.; Mike Cox and Cathy Reed, 9-11 Committee; .and Jennifer Peryam, Times-Union.

CALL TO ORDER: President Baldwin called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The April 19, 2011 minutes were approved on a motion by Steve Haines, seconded by John Sadler.

NEW BUSINESS: Mike Cox and Cathy Reed from the 9-11 Memorial Committee were in attendance to inform the board of the opportunity to obtain a beam from the World Trade Center. The committee hopes to add the beam to the existing memorial placed in the park in 2010 memorializing the law enforcement and fire department personnel who lost their lives during the line of duty. A preliminary drawing was available and it was noted that donations would be pursued to pay for the cost of bringing the beam in, and preparing the site. The board was agreeable to the addition and asked the committee to keep them informed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Pat Brown of SiteScapes, Inc. was once again present to update the board on the action plan for the 5-year master plan. Brown noted several additions to the plan and the recent vacation of the Pete Thorn Building by the Boys & Girls Club was discussed as a possible site for activities and other changes that were not previously on the plan. It was also noted that a study may need to be done on the property vacated by the water company at Center Lake and how that might affect any changes or additions in that area. The board will continue discussion of the Master Plan at the June meeting. It was suggested the board meet at the Pete Thorn Center for the June meeting to give the board a chance to view the building.

Staci Young, Activities Director, informed the board that the recreation guides were now out and that the first Friday Evening music event will be taking place next Friday, May 27. Staci introduced Brooke Kaiser who has returned to work this summer and is also doing her internship this year. Staci informed the board that the new Mommy-Son Adventure event was well attended and will continue next year with a "space" theme.

Staci also updated the board on event insurance which she was asked to look into. Staci will be making a proposal to the Board of Works this week for event cancellation insurance which would give us some protection on the two major concerts should they have to be cancelled due to weather conditions. The premium would be \$1700 for each, the Classic Rock concert and the Country Concert.

Jon provided the board with a copy of the letter from the Boys & Girls Club of Kosciusko County that they would be moving their club to the Baker Youth Club this month. They requested the lease be terminated and that they have until the end of the month to move any equipment out. The club has paid through the month of April.

There being no further business to come before the board, Steve Haines moved to adjourn, seconded by Toby Sumpter. All approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Bryan
Secretary