

MINUTES

PARK BOARD MEETING

October 18, 2011

5:15 PETE THORNE BUILDING

The Warsaw Park & Recreation Board met for its monthly meeting on October 18, 2011 at 5:15 PM at the Pete Thorn Building.

Attendance was noted as follows:

PRESENT: Steve Haines, Diane Quance, Bill Baldwin, Dan Robinson and Michelle Boxell. Also: Jon Garber, Staci Young, and Carol Raisler, Secretary.

ABSENT: Larry Plummer, Jr., and John Sadler.

GUESTS: Pat Brown, SiteScapes, Jennifer Peryam, Times-Union and Ernest B. Wiggins, Mayor.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The September 20, 2011 minutes were approved on a motion by Steve Haines, seconded by Dan Robinson.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Wiggins was present to swear in Michelle Boxell as a new member to the board. Michelle replaces Toby Sumpter who was honored for her service at the July 19, 2011 meeting.

Staci Young, Activities Director updated the board on the information that was gathered as to the feasibility of renting the Pete Thorn Gymnasium. After some discussion, the board members decided to move forward with the rental of the gymnasium on the weekends. Park Superintendent Jon Garber recommended he and Staci Young prepare some guidelines, contracts, forms, rate/hr and deposit amounts that would be charged and bring it before the board for adoption at the November 15, 2011 meeting.

Activities Director Staci Young reported that an insurance claim check was direct deposited into the bank in the amount of \$26,480.00 for the cancellation of the Country Concert on July 22, 2011. The money will be placed back into the budget and donation accounts from which the claims were processed and Staci will work to ensure that those funds from the 2011 budget will be utilized prior to the end of the year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Park Activities Director, Staci Young reported on the Fall Family Fun night that was held Friday October 14, 2011 from 6 to 8 pm at Lucerne Park. This free event included hay rides, crafts for kids, petting farm and story teller as well as each child attending received a goody bag. The event was attended by approximately 800 people and was well received by the community.

Pat Brown, SiteScapes, Inc. was present to talk about the 5-year Master Plan after the 30 day public review period and the DNR review. He went over the comments and suggestions from the DNR review and suggested that a final draft with the addition of maps, newspaper articles and public comments, be ready for the November 15, 2011 board meeting for signing and adoption.

In other matters, Activities Director Staci Young distributed flyers for a Ruby Tuesday's Community Gives Back Night on October 19, 2011 where 20% of your total bill will be donated to the Park Department to help support the free community programs.

Superintendent Jon Garber informed the board that new tables and chairs were purchased. Some of the current supply was distributed between the Pete Thorn Building and the Boggs Building making it now available to rent to parties of up to 100 people.

It was decided that all future board meetings would be held at the Pete Thorn Building.

Board Member Robinson had questions about Hire Park. It was clarified that Hire Park was a public park with the BMX Organization having exclusive rights to the track assuming all liability and maintenance.

There being no further matters to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Board Member Haines, seconded by Board Member Robinson.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Raisler
Secretary