

PARK BOARD

October 8, 2012

The October 8, 2012 Park Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by John Booth, Chairman. Park Board members present were John Booth, Jim Geary, Jack Leonard, Sharri Racheter, Rick Roberts, and Kenneth Wessler.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Randy Moore, Parks Manager; Don Spiegel; Alissa Paoella, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The following bills were presented:

	<u>PARK</u>	<u>TREE</u>
Bill Sowers Tree Service		1600.00
Linda Geary		113.82
Peacock Water Condit.	12.50	
Schmidt Machine	<u>331.60</u>	<u> </u>
Total	344.10	1713.82

TOTAL BILLS: \$2,057.92

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Ms. Racheter, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$2,057.92. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the August 13, 2012 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each Park Board member, were approved as received.

Mr. Moore presented the following quotes received for the purchase of a snow plow for use with the newest park truck:

E.E. Johnson Marion, Ohio	-	\$4,923.00 Blizzard Snow Plow
McGuire Automotive Upper Sandusky, Ohio	-	\$4,200.00 Snow Dog Snow Plow

Mr. Moore indicated that he researched the performance of the snow plows quoted and he recommended the Park Board approve the purchase of the Blizzard Snow Plow.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Geary, to approve the purchase of the Blizzard Snow Plow from E.E. Johnson, Marion, Ohio at a cost not to exceed \$4,923.00. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Moore reported that he has received inquiries from individuals concerning the lights that remain lit in Water Works Park and the related expense to the City. Mr. Moore inquired with the Park Board as to if they would prefer the entrance to Water Works Park be chained and the lights be shut off by American Electric Power.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Leonard, to have the entrance to Water Works Park chained and the lights be shut off. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Moore presented a request from Mr. Matt Patchett, Park Department employee, to be issued boots and coveralls prior to the end of his probationary period.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Racheter, to provide adequate weather apparel for Mr. Matt Patchett prior to the end of his probationary period. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Roberts reported that the Winter Fantasy of Lights Committee is looking for someone to be responsible for the Partridge in a Pear Tree display that is located along the north side of the white shelter in Harrison Smith Park.

Mr. Geary inquired with Mr. Moore about the front slats of two benches that are defective that were donated to the parks by veterans organizations, with one bench located in Bicentennial Park and one bench located in Stepping Stones Park. Mr. Moore indicated that he has not received a response from the company where the benches were purchased but he will continue to pursue this matter.

Discussion was held concerning the Ice Breaker Invitational Cross Country Meet held in Harrison Smith Park on Tuesday, August 21, 2012. It was noted that individuals were being charged admission at the entrance of the park. Park Board members asked Mayor Washburn to contact the Athletic Director and tell him that the City welcomes the use of its facilities at no charge to the school and the school cannot charge or ask for a donation for admission to the park.

It was noted that the Park Department lift to be utilized to hang lights has been serviced and will be inspected on Thursday of this week.

Mr. Roberts commended the Park Department employees for their care of the parks.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

John Booth, Chairman