

PARK BOARD

October 12, 2009

The October 12, 2009 Park Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Jim Schuster, Chairman. Park Board members present were Brenda Freehling, Sharri Racheter, Jim Schuster, Paul Wagner, and Kenneth Wessler. John Booth was absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Randy Moore, Parks Manager; Jennifer Richmond; Tom Eyestone; Brad Batton; Barbara Walter; Judy Shumaker; and Sarah Molnar, Clerk.

The following bills were presented:

	<u>PARK</u>	
Green Guard First Aid	14.37	
JR Equipment		56.08
Peacock Water Condit.	<u>6.50</u>	
Total	76.95	

TOTAL BILLS: \$76.95

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Wagner, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$76.95. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the August 10, 2009 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each Park Board member, were approved as received.

Ms. Jennifer Richmond presented the Park Board with a quote for the fence to surround the proposed dog park and indicated that the funds have been raised for the items necessary for the dog park including the fencing, necessary signage, dog bags and dispensers. It was noted that a copy of the rules for the dog park will be forwarded to the Law Director for his review. Location of the dog park in Water Works Park was also discussed.

Mr. Tom Eyestone presented a placement proposal for the Korean War Monument in Bicentennial Park. Mr. Eyestone indicated that they would like to dedicate the monument in June or July of 2010, marking the 60th anniversary of the start of the Korean War.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mrs. Freehling, to support the Korean War Monument project and request updates on plans for the project. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Ms. Barbara Walter addressed the Park Board and expressed her appreciation for the allowing the Native American Gathering to be held in the Harrison Smith Park in August 2009. Ms. Walter explained some issues with the 2009 event including early arrivals, electricity, and individuals that stayed over until Monday. Ms. Walter requested permission to hold the event in Harrison Smith Park again in 2010 with set up to begin on Friday, August 20, 2009, the event to be held on Saturday, August 21, 2010 and Sunday, August 22, 2009, and allow some participants to stay over until Monday, August 23, 2009. Ms. Walter presented a \$100.00 donation from the proceeds of the event and indicated that she would like to see the electricity improved at the east end of the park. It was noted that the electricity was recently improved for the Winter Fantasy of Lights and the Park budget will not currently allow for further improvements to the electricity. Ms. Walter also read letters of support from visitors to the 2009 event.

A motion was made by Mrs. Freehling, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to allow the 2010 Native American Gathering as requested by Ms. Barbara Walter. Upon Voice Vote, all members vote Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Park Board members reviewed the swimming pool report showing a loss of \$5,276.56, not including the \$16,741.46 expenditure for painting the pool as paid from the City's Capital Improvements fund.

Mr. Moore reported that Harrison Smith Park will be closing on October 26, 2009 for the set up of the Winter Fantasy of Lights.

Mr. Wessler reported that the shelter at the reservoir as donated by the Lions Club and Rotary Club has been built.

Mayor Washburn indicated that the Park budget is currently at a deficit and the City is looking for ways to cut costs throughout the City.

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

Sarah J. Molnar, Clerk

Jim Schuster, Chairman