

PARK BOARD

March 14, 2011

The March 14, 2011 Park Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by John Booth, Acting Chairman. Park Board members present were John Booth, Brenda Freehling, Sharri Racheter, Paul Wagner, and Kenneth Wessler.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Randy Moore, Parks Manager; Jason Getz, Girls Fast Pitch Softball League; Chanda Neely, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The following bills were presented:

	<u>PARK</u>	
JR Equipment		8.70
Schmidt Machine Company	50.40	
Wyandot Soil & Water Cons Dist	<u>40.00</u>	
Total	99.10	

TOTAL BILLS: \$99.10

A motion was made by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Ms. Racheter, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$99.10. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the November 8, 2010 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each Park Board member, were approved as received.

Mr. Jason Getz, representing the Girls Fast Pitch Softball League, presented a sample advertising banner that the league would like to sell that would be hung on the fence surrounding the lighted ball field in Harrison Smith Park as part of a fundraiser for the league.

A motion was made by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Racheter, to allow the Girls Fast Pitch League to sell and hang advertising banners on the fence surrounding the lighted ball field in Harrison Smith Park as a fundraiser for the league. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Getz also addressed the Park Board concerning the possibility of installing drainage tile from the lighted ball field to the pond to address drainage issues with this field. It was noted that the league currently squeegees standing water off of the field following rainfalls. Mr. Getz indicated that the league would provide the manpower for the project, and Mr. Dan Thiel could provide labor and equipment at a cost of approximately \$1,000.00. Mr. Moore noted that the City has the materials needed for the project and would be able to address the necessary repairs to the roadway after the project is completed. Mr. Getz inquired if the City would be willing to share in the cost of Mr. Thiel's service.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to split the out of pocket cost incurred by the Girls Fast Pitch Softball League for Mr. Thiel's service for the installation of drainage tile at the lighted ball diamond in Harrison Smith Park. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

Chlorine for the 2011 swimming pool season was discussed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Freehling, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to authorize requests for quotes for chlorine for the 2011 swimming pool season. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

Park Board members reviewed an advertisement for pool personnel for 2011.

A motion was made by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mrs. Freehling, to authorize the Mayor to advertise for pool personnel and include an addendum to the advertisement stating: "no applications will be considered for employment if received after the application deadline of

(insert date), unless an insufficient number of applications are received to fill these positions". Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

The opening date and pool hours for the 2011 swimming pool season were discussed.

A motion was made by Ms. Racheter, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to tentatively set the opening date of the 2011 swimming pool season as Saturday, May 28, weather permitting; and maintain the same pool hours being Monday thru Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., with twilight hours from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

Admission prices for the pool for the 2011 swimming pool season were discussed.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to maintain the same admission rates charged in 2010 as follows: Family (limit 4) - \$65.00 plus \$10.00 for each additional family member; Single - \$40.00; Senior Citizen (over 60) - \$35.00; Daily Pass - \$3.00; Out of County Membership (limit 4) - \$85.00 plus \$10.00 each additional family member; Out of County Single Membership - \$50.00; and Twilight Rates - \$1.50. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Randy Moore, Parks Manager, presented quotes for repairs to the fence damaged at the ball field in Water Works Park and replacement of sand on the ball field that washed away as a result of the recent flooding. Mr. Moore recommended the fence and sand not be replaced as this is an ongoing problem. Information was provided from Mrs. Jean Hollanshead, City Auditor, regarding the cost of the ongoing repairs and it was noted that approximately \$13,318.00 has been spent repairing the fences in Water Works Park since 2005. Park Board members agreed not to spend additional funds on the repair of the fence and replacement of sand for the ball field in Water Works Park. Mr. Moore will inform the Men's Softball League of this decision and allow them the opportunity to make the repairs and purchase sand.

Mr. Moore also presented information for the installation of a lift station in Harrison Smith Park to help alleviate flooding in the park. It was noted that water is unable to drain from the park as the existing drain is broken down in several locations. Mr. Moore presented a quote for materials and services, including a storage tank, installation of electric, electric boxes, and use of a trackhoe, totaling \$6,855. Materials the City owns will be utilized as well as in house labor to install the lift station.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Ms. Racheter, to approve the installation of a lift station in Harrison Smith Park. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Moore also presented a quote from Design and Fabrication, Inc. for the repair of the tractor bucket at a cost of \$695.00. Park Board members voiced no objections to this repair.

Mr. Moore also presented photos of damage to the fence located along the walking path in Harrison Smith Park as a result of the recent flooding. Mr. Moore indicated that Tackett's Fence has suggested the installation of two cement posts in the area of the fence worst damaged in effort to reduce future damage. A quote \$1,374.00 from Tackett's Fence to furnish and install these posts was reviewed. Park Board members voiced no objections to the installation of these posts.

Mayor Washburn reported that \$6,375.00 was received from the Winter Fantasy of Lights in early February for labor, fuel, and snow plowing, and \$2,768.77 was received from the Winter Fantasy of Lights in mid-February for electric usage in Harrison Smith Park for December 2010.

Mayor Washburn also reported that Mr. Jim Schuster has resigned as a member of the Park Board and Mr. Jim Geary will be recommended to City Council to fill this vacancy.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

John Booth, Acting Chairman