

PARK BOARD

February 13, 2012

The February 13, 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, Rick Roberts, and Kenneth Wessler. Jack Leonard and Sharri Racheter were absent.

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

The following bills were presented:

	<u>PARK</u>	<u>POOL</u>	<u>TREE</u>
Gottfried Electric	116.80		
Rall Supply	264.06		
Schoenberger Tree Service			225.00
Wyandot Co Health Dept		<u>148.00</u>	
Total	380.86	148.00	225.00

TOTAL BILLS: \$753.86

A motion was made by Mr. Geary, seconded by Mr. Wessler, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$753.86. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the January 9, 2012 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each Park Board member, were approved as received.

Discussion was again held concerning the installation of a temporary fence at the Water Tower Park for the Girls' Slow Pitch Softball League. Mr. Moore indicated that he received a quote of \$545.99 on temporary mesh fencing with plastic posts, being 5' high and 150' in length. It was noted that a second roll of the mesh fence would be needed to cover the appropriate area, for a total cost of \$1,091.98 for both rolls of fence. Mr. Moore also noted that Tackett Fence can make panels, with each panel being 6' high and 10' in length, from the chain link fence located in Water Works Park; sleeves for these panels would be placed in the ground so the panels could be removed following the softball season. The total cost for 350' in total length of these panels would be \$3,645.00. Representatives from the Park Board will meet soon with representatives from the league and the neighbors to further discuss the fence.

Mr. Moore reported that he requested quotes from local electricians on the cost to move the scoreboard located in Water Works Park to Harrison Smith Park. The only quote received was from Gottfried Electric at a maximum cost of \$2,000.00. The cost could decrease if the existing wiring in the scoreboard is able to be utilized.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to have Gottfried Electric proceed with moving the scoreboard located in Water Works Park to Harrison Smith Park at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Discussion was again held concerning the outfield lights and poles located in Water Works Park. Mr. Moore indicated that he contacted Mr. Mike Cheney, Marion Parks and Recreation Director, and Mr. Cheney indicated that they are not interested in purchasing the lights and poles. Mr. Dan Harris, Harris Electric, will inquire with other communities if the Park Board wants to pursue this sale; however Mr. Harris recommends the Park Board keep the lights and poles and utilize them in Harrison Smith Park or Water Tower Park to update existing light fixtures and replace older poles that are rotting. Park Board members agreed to keep the lights and poles and replace existing lights and poles as needed.

Mr. Moore reported that he had intended to purchase a small pick up truck through the State Purchasing Program for the Parks Department with the purchase price not to exceed \$20,000.00, as approved by the Park Board on January 9, 2012, however Ford is no longer making small pick up trucks. The purchase price of a new full-size pick up truck through the State Purchasing Program is \$21,704.00. Mr. Moore requested the Park Board approve the additional funds to purchase a full-size pick up truck. After considerable discussion, the Park Board tabled the purchase at this time and asked Mr. Moore to check with Fastenal on the availability of used pick-up trucks they may be selling.

Mr. Moore presented a request from the Parks Department employees to purchase safety yellow t-shirts again this year. It was noted that shirts have not been purchased for a few years. Mayor Washburn noted that the Service Committee will be discussing the purchase of t-shirts for all labor pool employees.

It was reported that the Service Committee approved the purchase of a second zero turn mower from Schmidt Machine Co. for the Water Department in conjunction with the purchase of the same type mower for the Parks Department approved by the Park Board on January 9, 2012.

It was noted that for 2012 most public and private swimming pools will be required to have an ADA compliant lift installed. This matter will be referred to the Water Department.

Mayor Washburn reported that he was contacted by Mrs. Martha Parks concerning the wage to be paid to the lifeguards for 2012. Mrs. Parks indicated that it is her understanding that the lifeguards are always supposed to be paid \$1.00 more per hour than minimum wage. Lifeguards were paid \$8.00 per hour in 2011, and minimum wage was increased on January 1, 2012 to \$7.70 per hour. Park Board members indicated that they are not familiar with any agreement pertaining to lifeguard wages and noted that pool personnel wages will be reviewed at an upcoming meeting.

It was noted that Mr. Rick Roberts has agreed to serve as the Park Board's representative on the Winter Fantasy of Lights Committee.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

John Booth, Chairman