

PARK BOARD

April 8, 2013

The April 8, 2013 Park Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Kenneth Wessler, Chairman. Park Board members present were Jim Geary, Jack Leonard, Sharri Racheter, Rick Roberts, Kip Wentling, and Kenneth Wessler.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Randy Moore, Parks Manager; Hayes Gatchell; Scott Gatchell; Ben Hart; Jennifer Ruhlen; Allen Boes; Matt O'Flaherty; Chris Byrum; Don Spiegel; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The following bills were presented:

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Forestry Suppliers, Inc.	303.16
Gempler's	107.90
Heritage Cooperative	100.00
Hilltop Lawn & Sports Center	94.15
Lucius Door Company, Inc.	220.00
Recorder's Office	<u>16.00</u>
Total	841.21

TOTAL BILLS: \$841.21

A motion was made by Ms. Racheter, seconded by Mr. Geary, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$841.21. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the March 11, 2013 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each Park Board member, were approved as received.

Mr. Hayes Gatchell addressed the Park Board indicating that he is a member of Boy Scout Troop #777 and he is working on plans for an Eagle Scout Service Project and would like to build bat and bird houses and place them in Harrison Smith Park. His plans include ten (10) bluebird houses, two (2) bat houses, and five (5) robin nooks.

A motion was made by Mr. Geary, seconded by Mr. Leonard, to approve Mr. Hayes Gatchell request to place bat and bird houses in Harrison Smith Park for his Eagle Scout Service Project. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Ben Hart addressed the Park Board as a member of the Wyandot WhiteTails requesting consideration for the organization to hold its 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Youth Fishing Derby at Harrison Smith Park on Saturday, June 29, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and utilize the Red Shelter as part of the event. It was noted that an officer from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife will be on hand during the event. Mr. Hart noted that sponsors have been obtained for the food and the prizes.

A motion was made by Ms. Racheter, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to allow the Wyandot WhiteTails to hold their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Youth Fishing Derby in Harrison Smith Park as requested. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mrs. Jennifer Ruhlen, Upper Sandusky Swim Team (USST), addressed the Park Board and thanked the City and the Park Board for supporting the swim team. Mrs. Ruhlen indicated that the swim team practices Mondays through Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and in the past they have also practiced on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Home swim team meets are scheduled for Wednesday, June 19, 2013 and Wednesday, July 10, 2013, and the last day of practice will be Thursday, July 11, 2013.

Mr. Roberts presented plaques in appreciation of the work done to move the outfield light poles from Water Works Park to Harrison Smith Park 2012 to Mr. Allen Boes, Mr. Matt O'Flaherty, and Mr. Chris Byrum. Also recognized, but not in attendance, were Mr. Dan Harris, Mr. Ed Brown, Mr. Forest Graver, and Mr. Matt Swavel.

The following quotes for liquid chlorine for the swimming pool were reviewed:

O.P. Aquatics Columbus, Ohio	-	\$1.50 per gallon plus \$25 delivery charge and fuel surcharge of \$11.50 per trip
Maumee Valley Bottlers Napoleon, Ohio	-	\$2.29 per gallon plus \$25 delivery charge

A motion was made by Mr. Wentling, seconded by Ms. Racheter, to approve the quote from O.P. Aquatics, Columbus, Ohio for liquid chlorine for the swimming pool at a cost of \$1.50 per gallon plus \$25.00 delivery charge and fuel surcharge of \$11.50 per trip. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

A closing date for the 2013 swimming pool season was discussed. It was noted that the first day of school for Upper Sandusky students is Wednesday, August 21, 2013.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Geary, for Tuesday, August 20, 2013 to be the final day of the 2013 swimming pool season. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Leonard reported that the Salvation Army recently made a donation of \$100.00 to the City towards the swimming pool. The Park Board thanked the Salvation Army for their donation.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to enter into an executive session to review employment applications for pool personnel. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried. Upon completion of the executive session, the Park Board reconvened into regular session.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to advertise again for the Pool Manager position and authorize Mr. Roberts and two Park Board members to interview the applicant for Pool Manager and any subsequent applicants; and have Mr. Mark Ellis, Law Director, check on residency requirements for applicants. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Ms. Racheter, to hire all of the applicants who applied for Assistant Manager, Lifeguard, and Cashier for the positions they applied for. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Racheter, seconded by Mr. Wentling, to pay the Lifeguards \$25.00 at the beginning of the pool season and an additional \$25.00 at the end of the pool season; and recommend to City Council to amend the City's payroll Ordinance pertaining to the pool staff to include: Manager \$10.00 - \$13.00 per hour; Assistant Manager \$9.00 - \$10.00 per hour; Lifeguards \$8.00 - \$9.00 per hour; Cashiers \$8.00 per hour; and set the pay for those positions for the 2013 pool season as follows: Assistant Managers - \$10.00, Lifeguards - \$9.00, and Cashiers, \$8.00, pending the passage of the recommended amendment to the City's payroll Ordinance by City Council. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Geary reported that the Wyandot Memorial Association's flag pole project that was presented at the March 11, 2013 Park Board meeting is proceeding and donations are being received. It was noted that a donation was received that will pay for the bronze plaque commemorating the War of 1812. The dedication of the plaque and flag pole will either take place on the last weekend in August 2013 or next year prior to September 2014.

Mr. Leonard noted that the Upper Sandusky Parks and Recreation Summary 2012 information that was handed out by Mr. Moore was very helpful.

Mr. Moore reported that the concession stand at Harrison Smith Park has been remodeled. Mr. Roberts indicated that the Girls Fast Pitch League has expressed their appreciation for this work.

Mr. Roberts read a message received received from Mr. Matt Swavel concerning additional improvements needed at the ball fields in Harrison Smith Park including dug out renovations.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Wessler, for any suggested renovations to be presented to Mayor Washburn and Mr. Moore for their approval on behalf of the Park Board. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

It was suggested that the entrance to Harrison Smith Park be blacktopped. It was noted that all of the roadways in Harrison Smith Park need to be resurfaced with hot mix as these roads were not designed for the amount and type of traffic that travels through the park during the Winter Fantasy of Lights.

Mr. Moore reported that Chief Olds has asked that signs be installed in all of the City's parks indicating the opening and closing hours of the parks.

It was noted that at this point the Red Cross has no plans to conduct swim lessons this summer.

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

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Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

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Kenneth Wessler, Chairman