

PARK BOARD

September 11, 2017

The September 11, 2017 Park Board meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Kenneth Wessler, Chairman. Park Board members present were Jon Blackburn, Paul Huffman, Jack Leonard, Kip Wentling, and Kenneth Wessler. Bob Blocksom was absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Keith Niederkohr, Parks Manager; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The following bills were presented:

	<u>PARK</u>	<u>POOL</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>
Aaron Schoenberger			841.81
AT & T	50.29		
AT & T			134.07
AT & T			103.73
AT & T			366.42
AT & T			259.33
AT & T			365.92
AT & T			1832.42
AJ's Heavenly Pizza			54.65
Automated Petroleum			481.81
BWC State Insurance Fund			3472.75
Calpine Energy			12492.34
Evolution Ag	8.77		
Evolution Ag			232.15
Gail Dennis	30.00		
Heritage Cooperative	703.92		255.56
Hilltop Lawn			52.50
Hilltop Lawn	1117.64		
Karen Kline			254.00
Keith Niederkohr	218.82		
Kimmel Corporation			1797.40
Koehler Drug Company	38.89		1.19
OAMCCC			250.00
Peacock Water	12.50		
Schwan's Home Service		110.27	
ThorWorks	1037.51		1037.51
Upper Sandusky Music Boosters			1275.00
Visa – First Citizens Natl Bank			211.99
Visa – First Citizens Natl Bank			<u>979.66</u>
Total	<u>3218.34</u>	<u>110.27</u>	<u>26752.21</u>

TOTAL BILLS: \$30,080.82

A motion was made by Mr. Blackburn, seconded by Mr. Leonard, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$30,080.82. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the August 14, 2017 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each Park Board member, were approved as received.

Park Board members discussed a possible refund policy for park shelters. It was noted that out of one-hundred and fifteen reservations so far in 2017, three refunds have been issued to individuals due to weather and other unforeseen circumstances. Refunds are authorized by the Mayor and submitted to the Park Board for approval. In 2016 there was one refund issued for a park shelter reservation. Park Board members agreed that as long as refunds are not being abused no policy is needed at this time.

Park Board members reviewed the Swimming Pool Report for the 2017 season.

Mr. Niederkoehr reported on the following:

- One of the aluminum diving boards at the swimming pool needs to be replaced as the rough surface has worn off and it has become slippery. A quote of \$5,111.00 was obtained from OP Aquatics for a replacement 16' board. This item will be added to the budget for 2018. Park Board members inquired about the possibility of having the existing diving board sandblasted and recoated. Mr. Niederkoehr will check into this possibility.
- One of the stainless steel diving board frames is cracked and Mr. Niederkoehr is obtaining a quote for welding this frame. A quote to weld one of the pool ladders and a tank will also be obtained as these repairs are also necessary.
- A retirement party will be held tomorrow for Mr. Johnny Amesquita.
- A quote of \$97,000.00 has been obtained from CSI Construction for an addition to the park maintenance shop which includes plans, state permits, site work, etc. Mr. Niederkoehr is currently waiting on a quote for this project from Clouse Construction.
- Mr. Tom Griffin is interested in setting up a free library in one of the City's parks. Mr. Griffin would provide the necessary structure for the library. Park Board members agreed that the free library should be located in Bicentennial Park and, if successful, another free library could be set up in Stepping Stones Park. Mr. Griffin has asked if the City would be willing to pay a \$40.00 fee to have the City listed on a website indicating that there is a free library. Park Board members voiced no objections to this request.
- The roadway in front of the tennis courts in Harrison Smith Park have been repaved and funding for this project was provided by the Winter Fantasy of Lights.
- The walking paths have all been resealed, consisting of 5.5 miles that are 10' wide.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Huffman, to enter into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried. Upon completion of the executive session, the Park Board reconvened into regular session.

Mr. Leonard inquired as to if the discussion amongst the visitors held at the August 14, 2017 Park Board meeting concerning moving the existing Vietnam Monument located in Bicentennial Park could have been toned down. Mr. Leonard indicated that Mr. Tom Eyestone, representing the Veterans Heritage Foundation of Wyandot County, addressed concerns from the visitors in a professional manner even though there were many comments that included foul language and a lot of disrespect was shown.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Kenneth Wessler, Chairman