

## Minutes from March 26, 2018 Knox Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

### **Attendance:**

Board Members Present: Autumn Ferch, John Fletcher, Gary Dulin, and Ruth Bailey

Board Members Not Present: Glenn Barnes

Others Present: George Byer, Mike Reese, Mike Haas, Jim Johnson, Travis Markin and a representative from the Leader.

Acceptance of proposed agenda for March 26, 2018: Motion – Gary, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ruth. All in favor.

Acceptance of minutes from February 26, 2018: Motion – Gary, 2<sup>nd</sup> – John. All in favor.

### **Public Comment**

- Travis Markin
  - Representative from Starke County baseball and softball
    - 1<sup>st</sup> game is May 21<sup>st</sup>.
    - Electric to pitching mound will be done by baseball and softball program.
    - Will provide a schedule of all games and practices.

### **Presentation of Financials**

- Nothing to discuss

### **Superintendent's Report**

- 1. Skate park progress.
  - Jed is working on it, he worked Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup>
  - He will charge the materials to the park at Johnsons Lumber Yard as he needs them.
  - Center section is removed. Some 2x6's that were removed can be reused.
  - Going to get plywood this week and work on the weekends.
  - Gary asked for a timeline on the skate park
    - since the labor is volunteered there is no timeline
    - Gary is concerned that someone will get hurt once it gets nice out.
  - Going to build another ramp off the side and put vent holes in the plywood.
- 2. Fence Repairs
  - Called 4 fence company's for quotes to repair the damage on ball diamond 3
    - Heard back from 1 so far.
  - Mike's Fencing is going to look at the damage on Wednesday or Thursday next week and provide a quote.
- 3. FEMA
  - Turned in a quote to FEMA for Wythogan Park flood clean up, to be combined with the county's quote.

- Estimate hours and wages was 29 Hours costing \$1,708.91
- DNR will clean boat launch.
- There was no water damage at the park, the water did not get into any buildings.
- 4. Mayor's Upcoming Dates for the Park
  - May 26<sup>th</sup> - Memorial Day weekend Car Show
  - July 7<sup>th</sup> – Family Fun Day in the Park
  - Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> – Fall Bash
  - Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> – Peppermint Parade
- George received a phone call from someone who wants to rent shelter 1 for a party and wants to bring ponies.
  - He wanted the boards input before responding to the woman.
  - The board unanimously decided to not allow ponies in the park.

### **Old Business**

- Skate Park Progress
  - See Superintendent's Report.
- Joseph Musgrave's Book Project
  - Joseph is beginning to raise money to build his book exchange and will only be putting one up at Sandy Acres.

### **New Business**

- Moose Easter Egg Hunt March 31<sup>st</sup>
  - The Moose wants to hold their annual Easter Egg hunt in the Park on March 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - Approval of Moose request
    - Motion – Ruth, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Gary. All in favor
- Movies in the Park
  - Looking for sponsors for the movies this summer.
- Approval of 5 Year Plan
  - Mike Reese presented the 5 year plan.
  - June 1<sup>st</sup> is when the grant application is due
  - Approval of 5 year plan
    - Motion – Gary, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ruth. All in favor.

### **Board Member Comments**

- John – wanted to recognize George and his crew for the great job they did cleaning up the park after the flooding.
- Gary – Fly fishing is set up. An advertisement needs to be created so people are aware of the event.
- Next meeting is set for April 23, 2018 at 6:30pm at the Knox City Hall.
- Motion to Adjourn – Glenn, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ruth. All in favor