

BAINBRIDGE PARK BOARD MINUTES

Wednesday, March 21, 2007

Park Board chairman, Henri Preuss called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Members present were, Dennis Martin, Henri Preuss, and Clyde Whaley. Bob Ford, Park Manager was also present.

OLD BUSINESS:

The February minutes were approved as submitted.

BUDGET:

The budget was discussed with Bob Ford and he has not been advised of any corrections to the proposed budget submitted 1/22/07.

BAINBRIDGE SCHOOL AND CEMETARY EXPANSION:

Bob is still maintaining the rental of the school and has been working on the cemetery expansion plan and will advise on both.

NEW BUSINESS:

CANIDATES FOR PARK BOARD:

The Park Board met with the 4 candidates and reviewed their background and reasons for wanting to be on the Park Board. We asked for their input regarding the development of a board to oversee and advise direction of all the township properties. All candidates want to work with the trustees to develop and provide a great area to live in for the residents of our township.

The park Board recommends that the trustees appoint the following applicants to the Park board: David Jones, Carol Lynch, Marty Sfiligoj, and Linda Spiros. Enclosed are the letters submitted by them for your review.

SETTLERS PARK: We discussed the following items: Bob has indicated that field usage is well under way and anticipates a full season of usage. We discussed the drainage project from last year and may need to add lateral lines to the main line. The cemetery expansion is in process and Bob advised that parking will be added to our present lot. Bob is in the process of getting the mulching of the playground bided. Bob plans to fix the picnic

tables, benches and remove trees at the playground. The poles for the volleyball court will be replaced, as they are not the quality of the poles needed.

RIVER ROAD PARK:

Field usage is underway and anticipates full usage during the summer season. There are a number of projects that will be started and completed: Finish drain projects, possibly sewer water and bathrooms. Roof and gutter repair of the pavilion turret. Paint, trim and doors, concrete dug out areas, install swing set, and secure all benches as they are being used by skateboarders and snow boarders.

KCE TACKLE FOOTBALL:

Scott Shell director from KCE Tackle Football and 3 KCE Tackle Football Board Members appeared to propose 3 additions to River road Park at no cost to the township. They want to put a permanent electric scoreboard, home field bleachers, players' benches, and crows' nest and combined announcers tower at River Road Park. The additions would be done with proper permits and supervised by the park manager. They would construct the crows' nest to fit in with our present pavilion and stone facing. The park board at the present time does not see a problem with the request and would appreciate the trustees' input. The KCE football group would like to know if this is a viable project prior to entering into expenses for the planning of the project. Enclosed is preliminary information that they provided the park board for the trustees review. KCE football group would be willing to make a presentation to the Trustees. Scott Shell can be reached by cell at 216-440-6515.

SATURDAY WORKSHOP:

The Park Board would like to have a Saturday workshop with the Trustees, after the new members come aboard. The purpose would be to develop a mission statement, scope of authority and how to best serve the interest of the community. Please advise the Park Board of a date when this meeting can take place.

CELL TOWER:

A question was raised regarding the news article about cell towers at River Road and Settlers parks. The Park Board is submitting a letter to the township requesting that the board be involved in the process. if and when it does occur, since it is being discussed for placement on park property.

The park board will attend the March 26th trustees meeting regarding the Centerville Mills presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Henri Preuss
Chairman Bainbridge Park Board