

**BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MINUTES
AUGUST 20, 2008**

Present: Marty Sfiligoj, Chairman; Henri Preuss, Vice Chairman; Mitch Fakadej; Dennis Martin; and Bob Ford, Parks Manager

Mr. Sfiligoj presided and called the regular meeting to order at 7:14 P.M.

PARK MANAGER'S REPORTS

Mr. Bob Ford reported on the following: weed control at the parks, tree removal at Settlers Park, tree replacement at River Road, slit seeding at parks (possible donations), soccer goal donation, baluster replacement at Settlers, wedding at Settlers Park, football sled at River Road and playground replacement parts at Settlers Park.

Weed Control

Mr. Martin made a motion to present the proposals for weed control at Settlers Park and River Road Park to the trustees for approval.

Mr. Preuss seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Theft at River Road Park

Mr. Ford reported on the park bench that was stolen from River Road Park and that it was valued at \$475.00. He also noted that all benches are anchored down.

FIELD COSTS

Mr. Ford reported on the fees that other cities and municipalities charge for fields and if they rent to non-residents. The board held a discussion regarding the use of travel groups and Kenston Schools and that preparation costs have increased but the usage fees have not. It was noted that cities have income taxes that are used to help fund their parks.

PARK USAGE FEES

The board discussed the usage fees for Settlers and River Road Parks and was in agreement to recommend the fees be increased.

Proposed Increase in Usage Fees

Mr. Martin made a motion to recommend to the township trustees an increase to the current usage fees as follows, effective January 1, 2009.

	<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>
Sports Fields (Football & Soccer)	\$10.00 per hour	\$15.00 per hour
Baseball Fields	\$16.00 per hour	\$20.00 per hour
Baseball Fields (KCE)	\$11.00 per hour	\$15.00 per hour
Pavilions	\$10.00 per hour	\$25.00 per hour

Refundable security deposit will remain at \$100.00.

Mr. Preuss seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

After a discussion by the board, the members were in agreement to recommend that the new fees become effective September 1, 2008.

Mr. Preuss made a motion to rescind the previous motion regarding the effective date of January 1, 2009.

Mr. Martin seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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Mr. Preuss seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

BEE CONTROL

Mr. Ford reported on the bee problem at the parks and his efforts to eliminate them.

SIMILAR PARKS

The board discussed similar parks in the area such as Burton Village, Middlefield Village and Munson Township.

PARKS & PROPERTIES SUPERINTENDENT

The board discussed the Parks & Properties Superintendent position. Mr. Sfiligoj reported that Mr. Markley is putting together the advertisement for the job.

Mr. Ford asked the board for a time-frame and if he will have a job and health insurance. Mr. Sfiligoj will write a letter to the township trustees regarding what the Parks Manager has requested.

MINUTES

Mr. Preuss made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated August 6, 2008 as written.

Mr. Martin seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Since there was no further business, Mr. Fakadej made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Martin seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Zimmerman
Secretary to Park Board

NEXT MEETING: September 17, 2008 - 7:00 P.M. - Bainbridge Town Hall