

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

City of Findlay

July 21, 2008

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Bruce Hardy, Chair, Tim Brugeman, Bil Homka, Brian Hurt, Dennis McPheron, Greg Meyers, Bob Nichols, Mike Slough.

Staff Present: Lu Draper, Jim Rhodes, and Kathy Launder.

Guests Present: Randy Van Dyne, City Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to accept minutes of the June 16, 2008, meeting, by Nichols, second by Slough. Motion passed 8-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Rawson Park Project: Project started this morning. The teams that usually played at Rawson Park have been relocated to the Diamonds.

Findlay Youth Baseball: Tim Federici sent a letter thanking Lu Draper and her staff at the Recreation Department for their hard work during the Findlay Youth Baseball tournament and all star games. Findlay Youth Baseball will be donating batting cages to the City with proceeds from their fundraising efforts.

Ad Hoc Recreation Committee: A parks and recreation facilities tour is scheduled for July 22 for the Committee. The premier soccer field for Emory Adams Park is on hold until the Ad Hoc Recreation Committee then City Council approves the plan.

NEW BUSINESS

The Diamonds: Slough has received numerous compliments on the Diamonds. Draper reported that sales at the concessions for the Young Miss Softball and Findlay Youth Baseball games was phenomenal.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Recreation Department/the CUBE Report: Draper reported that the Gus Macker will be held at the CUBE, the Diamonds are open and being used, Pool is doing great, hosted the Flag City Swim Meet with the Flying Fish-large turn out, Safety Fest held at Riverside Park, Day Camp is going well with different themes each week, Kids Fest will feature the Grrrowl and Findlay Area Hockey Association, two movies were shown at Riverside Park (at the Bandshell and at the Pool) with over 300 people in attendance at each, Nissen will be renting all of Riverside Park for their company picnic, the Pool will begin limited hours on August 19-after school and weekends, contract has been signed with the Grrrowl.

Parks Maintenance Department Report: Splash Pad is fixed and up and running. The Emory Adams Park restroom that was burned down is being rebuilt. Working on a solution for drainage at the All Star Playground at the CUBE/Diamonds.

OTHER REPORTS


Hancock Park District Report: Brugeman reported that Kids Fest is scheduled at Riverbend Park and the five parks in the County are being over-utilized. It is great to see that the parks are being used more and more.

OTHER BUSINESS

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board is August 18, 2008, at 4:00 PM in the third floor conference room of the Municipal Building.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Bruce Hardy
Chair