

PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 4, 2015

7:00 P.M.

Location: New Haven Council Chambers

Present: Superintendent Mike Clendenen (Not voting), Tonya Faupel, Leon Davis, Mike Marhenke, Aquatics Director, Kim Yoh, Attorney, Doug Runyan, Craig Dellinger, Anna Gurney, Recreation Director

1. Call to Order – Mike Marhenke called the May 4th, 2015 Park Board meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. Tonya Faupel made a motion to approve the April Park Board meeting minutes. Leon Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.
1. Approval of Claims- Tonya Faupel made a motion to approve the claims for a total of \$130,374.26. Superintendent Clendenen explained a few claims. Leon Davis seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Special Use Policy

Mike Clendenen presented Special Event alcohol use policy at the April Park Board meeting. This policy would be used for a special events and such a permit would have to be requested and paid for through the parks. The policy is written to have to have a permit, a licensed bartender, and security. Tonya Faupel had concerns about the way the policy was written in regards to when payment is due. She thought it should be earlier than, “no later than the end of the event.” The Parks would schedule the security, but those hosting the party, would be responsible for payment directly to security, outside of the payment contracted to the Parks. Mike wants a designated area for alcohol.

- Tonya Faupel made a motion to approve the Special Event Alcohol Use Policy as presented, Leon Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. Haskamp Property Discussion
Soarin’ Hawk Raptor Rehab – Mike Clendenen and Tonya Faupel have continued to meet with the organization and discuss a possible collaboration with the group so that both groups would benefit from the agreement. Mike Clendenen asked the group to come back to the Parks with a Site Plan as to how the property would be developed if we were to pursue this arrangement. The Parks is seeking a mutually beneficial agreement which would allow the Parks to develop an otherwise undeveloped Park Property.
 3. Jury Pool Discussion
 - Allowing life jackets into Jury Pool – Currently, no life jackets or floatation devices are allowed in Jury Pool. Mike Clendenen would like change the policy to allow life jackets for

anyone who wants to use them into the pool by providing US Coast Guard approved life jackets at the pool. To help with the cost, Mike is seeking a sponsorship for the jackets. Mike would also like to adopt the policy that any minor non-swimmer must stay within arm's reach of a parent or guardian when in the pool. Discussion followed. Both issues were tabled until the June meeting.

- Pool will open for the season, weather permitting on May 23rd.
- A Chamber "Meet me at 5" event is scheduled for Thursday, May 21st. With a 10% pool membership discount be offered to Chamber members that evening. Tonya Faupel made a motion to approve the 10% off for the Meet Me at 5. Leon Davis seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

4. Werling Park Master Plan

Mike Clendenen presented a Park Master Plan for Werling Park and would like the Board to adopt the plan so he can begin the work of generating community support for the project. Mike Clendenen met with Brenda Adams and financial advisor, Greg Gerritauz to discuss the financial feasibility of a community center at Werling Park in the future. Greg thought it would be possible to pursue a 2 million dollar bond with little hoopla. Mike also felt that the Mayor was receptive to discussing the City providing some funds for the project. Leon Davis likes the proposed plan because he feels like it is realistic and meets the needs of the community. Mike said a quality park adds to the value of the community. Leon recommended the board consider this plan for a month and bring it up for the June meeting. Discussion tabled.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- Summer free lunch program offered in collaboration with Community Harvest Food Bank in Schnelker and Meadowbrook parks in the 2015 season. The kickoff event will be held on Friday, June 12th in Schnelker Park.
- Sat. May 16th the Blue Jay Bolt which is the first of the 4 Wellness series
- Sun. May 17th, the Veterans Memorial ride will be held at the American Legion Post 330 with proceeds benefiting the Schnelker Park veterans memorial

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT:

- A resolution for a Veterans Memorial Brick donation from Charles Hatton in the amount of \$70.00. Tonya Faupel made a motion to approve the resolution. Leon Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Anna Gurney is continuing to hire seasonal staff. The community garden plots have been readied and are being planted. The New Haven Farmers Market planning is underway
- Training along with program development in all seasonal areas

MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Schnelker Park is on track to be completed by June 1st Maintenance began the process of opening the pool this week

AQUATIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Flag football is happening in Jury Park and concessions are open on Saturday
- Pool staff is hired
- Paperwork is in the process of being completed

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Leon Davis asked if Doug Runyan had heard anything back from CDT in regards to the proposed sale of the Park Building. Doug indicated that he had not as the Park Board is in no rush.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.