

Ferdinand Park & Recreation Board Minutes

Wednesday, Sept 7, 2016

Regular meeting of Ferdinand Park and Recreation Board was held on Wednesday, Sept. 7 at 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. In attendance were Mike Steffe, Matt Weyer, Natalie Howard, Dolores Boeglin and Tom Lueken. Also attending were students from Forest Park: Laurin Roos, Autumn Recker, and Paige Uebelhor.

Minutes were approved with motion by Mike and second by Natalie. Financial report was approved with motion by Mike and second by Matt.

A discussion was held on the summer recreation program and the hiring of a summer intern. Originally the park was responsible for only one intern's salary, but the last couple of years we have been charged with two. It was decided that in spring this matter would be brought up again and possibly at the time the board may decide to hire our own intern, which will give us a lot more control over their duties.

Bob Bronson sent word that he wished to meet with the board at 9:30 a.m. On Sept. 9 at the government center in Indianapolis along with Lisa Heber of DNR who will be working with us on the grant.

Matt met with Paul Ruhe with the Mobel Foundation. He showed him sketches of the OTL project and our plans for permanent grilling areas at the ball parks in 5th St. Park.

Mike would like to see an event open to the public when our parks open in spring, and doing things like free hot dogs and drinks, etc. He said we should make sure we personally invite Paul Ruhe.

Landon Tobin, a scout with Troop 186, along with his mother Anita, to discuss a project for his Eagle Scout badge. He would like to place about 3 "look and Find" stations in the park. Containers for the lists be mail box type to protect from the weather. He would also monitor after installation. Mike made a motion to approve the project and was seconded by Natalie.

Fall ball was greatly reduced this year to just the small boys field and Sundays only. They asked to have field dragged on Friday and cleanup on Monday.

Tammy Litherland asked to have a girls tourney on Halloween weekend for 8-12 year olds.

Rosenvolk committee has not sent in lease at this time.

Allie Treat is planning to have therapy horses at the Folkfest unless there is rain. She would keep them in the area of the horseshoe pits.

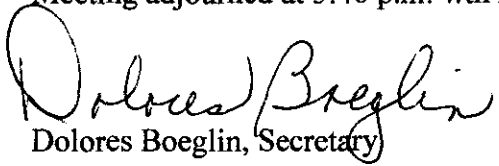
A LED scoreboard was donated to the football field. Not sure at this time where this came from. A discussion was held on trying to keep all the scoreboards the same in the future.

Mike stated that at the lease meeting in spring that all Leagues be informed that any items that require

Installation to be permanent and that are to be maintained by the parks must have prior approval before installing. Mike made a motion to this effect and was seconded by Natalie.

Farbest has two back stops that they are willing to donate if someone will just remove them. Soccer league said they would get volunteers to disassemble if they can be moved with town truck. This is of galvanized chain like construction. Before any installation can be done, this must be approved by the board. Mike suggested they bring plan and cost estimate to a meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m. wth next meeting set for Oct. 4, 2016 at the town hall.


Dolores Boeglin, Secretary