

CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO
PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2009 - 7:00 P.M.
MGC - 2ND FLOOR ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
201 WEST WATER STREET

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cathy Oda, Patty Vogt, Jim Cruse, Keith Grau, Barbara Miller and Michael Perando

MEMBERS ABSENT: Denise Uhlenbrock, Deb Osborne and Andrew Higgins

STAFF PRESENT: Rob Stanford, Recreation Coordinator

GUEST PRESENT: None

ITEM NO. 1: CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Park Board Chairperson Cathy Oda called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

ITEM NO. 2: APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Barbara Miller noted that her name was misspelled. It was moved by Mike Perando and seconded by Jim Cruse to accept the minutes from the meeting held on October 7, 2009 with the spelling correction. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM NO. 3: RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Rob Stanford stated that we had over 225 participants at the Hayride. It was a great success. He expressed disappointment in the response to the other programs offering including Halloween Treats with only 3 people registered and School's out with only 1 registered.

ITEM NO. 4: PARKS UPDATE

Rob Stanford stated that we will be submitting for bids very soon on the Mote Park Community Center improvements. He stated that the Parks Department has lost most of their seasonal employees and will be primarily working on leaves over the next month.

The Eagle Scout project at Hance Pavilion is moving forward and should be completed soon. The project will only involve the fountain. The other proposed components of the project will not be completed.

Rob Stanford reported that he passed the Certified Playground Safety Inspector exam and now has his certification. He will start performing audits on all city playgrounds and will develop a plan of action to correct any issues.

ITEM NO. 5: DAS AND KIWANIS PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

A brief recap of the Das Park playground equipment installation was given. Rob Stanford stated that GameTime was the low bidder for the equipment at Kiwanis

and that it would be ordered this month and stored at Pitsenbarger until spring when it will be installed.

ITEM NO. 6: POOL REPORT AND DISCUSSION

The board had a discussion of possible changes to hours, rentals, and special promotions to help minimize subsidy required for operations. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to table this until the December meeting.

ITEM NO. 7: SKATEPARK

Rob Stanford stated that we have received 6 proposals for the design and build of the proposed skatepark at Mote Park. The committee has a meeting planned for November 5th to review the proposal and make a selection. Rob also informed the board that ODNR may retract the Nature Works grant if we do not have funding for the project by the beginning of December.

ITEM NO. 8: OTHER BUSINESS

Cathy Oda informed the board that it was determined that due to the limited timeline and funding concerns that the board was not going to recommend that the city/volunteers try to offer an ice skating rink this year. She asked that we discuss it again next spring for 2010.

ITEM NO. 9: NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

The next meeting date was set for December 2nd to be held at 7:00PM in the Municipal Government Building

ITEM NO. 10: ADJOURN

Mike Perando motioned and Jim Cruse seconded to adjourn, the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Minutes as prepared by Rob Stanford.