

GRAND BLANC PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes of July 15, 2010

The regular meeting of the Grand Blanc Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 5:30pm by S. Soderstrom at the Grand Blanc Parks and Recreation Office, 360 E. Grand Blanc Rd., Grand Blanc, Michigan.

Commission Present:	Sue Soderstrom	Chairman
	Jet Kilmer	Vice Chairman
	Brad Hester	Secretary
	Tom Pettit	Treasurer
	Hans Rogers	Commissioner
	Frankie Millstead	Commissioner

Staff Present:	Kae Eidson	Director
	Jamie Weasel	Assistant Director
	Vicki Michelson	Senior Center Coordinator
	Ann Bouchard	Programmer
	Carol Neumann	Office Manager
	Andy Taylor	Maintenance Supervisor

Absent:	Chad Blakley	Commissioner
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Guests:	Group presented proposal for a Genesee County Dog Park to be located at Creasey Bicentennial Park.	
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Minutes

S. Soderstrom requested motion to approve the June 17, 2010 minutes. Motion made by B. Hester and support provided by T. Pettit. Yeas-6 Nays-0 Motion approved.

Directors Report

T. Petit asked for an update on the soccer fields. K. Eidson noted that the Township is very interested in closing out the contract for the soccer field project. K. Eidson indicated that the Township will be contacting Spicer to see what steps need to be taken to close the project. The Township has valid concerns regarding closing the project within the needed timeline as to not risk losing any grant funds, yet Eidson pointed out we still want the project to be completed.

Assistant Directors Report

No questions were raised regarding the Assistant Directors report. B. Hester raised a question regarding the adult softball leagues. He noted concern for some poor behavior that is taking place out at the ball fields. B. Hester noted that he had personally attended a couple of games where there were near altercations along with very poor language being used. Jamie noted that there are rules in place and that he will remind the umpires and players of these rules. Jamie also noted that he will encourage the umpires to step up and address individuals that are not abiding by acceptable behavior the rules. B. Hester noted that there are a lot of young children watching these games and we need to do what we can to insure a positive environment.

Recreation Programmer Report

No questions were raised regarding the Recreation Programmer's Report. J. Kilmer asked how the Grand Blanc Park & Recreation Baseball Tournament went. A. Bouchard noted that the tournament ran very smoothly. She noted that weather was huge factor along with a great turn out of teams for all age divisions. K. Eidson noted that A. Bouchard did an excellent job first year

out and everything was extremely organized. Eidson also noted that we received many compliments on how well the program was run. 2010 Baseball tournament was a great success.

B. Hester raised a question about the playground program in regard to a parent's question with a child in the program, as to why we don't extend the program further into August. A. Bouchard noted that the reason we end our program July 31st is because we are required to be out of the schools by August 1, 2010.

S. Soderstrom asked how the Special Needs Programs were going. Ann noted that we have had strong participation and people seem to be very pleased with current programs but continues to be a lot interest in growing the program to offer even more activities. Ann noted that we are hoping for a lot of community support for our upcoming golf outing on September 12th that will support the Special Needs Program.

Senior Center Coordinator

Quarterly reports presented.

V. Michelson noted that the senior programs are doing well and are very well attended. She noted that the hall rentals are doing well but we will need to look into having the carpets cleaned in the near future.

Administration & Policy

No Report / Did not meet

Senior Committee

B. Hester noted that the Committee met via e-mail to discuss the Senior Budget and that they agreed with all of K. Eidson's recommendations. T. Petit asked if the county had finalized any numbers. K. Eidson noted nothing had been finalized but discussions have leaned toward a 5 to 12 percent reduction.

B. Hester made a motion to support the recommendations made by K. Eidson in regards to the senior budget. Support provided by T. Petit. Yeas-6 Nays-0 Motion approved.

Area & Facilities

No Report / Did not meet

New Business

Nothing to report

Old Business

K. Eidson noted that we were not going to pursue the liquor license for the Kickball Tournament, as we are uncertain there will be enough interest to run the tournament. If there is interest we will pursue the license next year.

Financial Reports

T. Petit made a motion to accepted the May 2010 Financial Reports as submitted. B. Hester provided support. Yeas-6 Nays-0, Motion approved.

T. Petit made a motion to accept the June 2010 Financial Report as submitted. J. Kilmer provided support. Yeas-6 Nays-0, Motion approved.

B. Hester made a motion to adjourn as there was not further business to discuss. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Hester, Secretary
BH/CN

