

Minutes of September 21, 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: Susan 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
 Ann Bouchard Programmer
 Carol Neumann Office Manager
 Vickie Michelson Senior Center Coordinator

Absent: Andy Taylor Maintenance Supervisor

Guests: Representatives of Genesee County Dog Park Group

Minutes

S. Soderstrom requested motion to approve the August 19, 2010 minutes. Motion made by T. Pettit and support provided by B. Hester. Yeas-6 Nays-0 Motion approved.

Directors Report

S. Soderstrom inquired about the status of the potential Gymnastic meet to be held in Grand Blanc. K. Eidson advised that the quote was requested from Community Ed in Grand Blanc; however, the quote was too high and Grand Blanc Gymnastics indicated that they will be looking at other locations.

S. Soderstrom asked for clarification regarding the Senior Center Carport Project regarding who would be handling the project going forward. K. Eidson noted that the Township Clerk made a request to the County Planning Commission asking that the Township be awarded the contract for the Car Port Project. The Clerk's request was granted and the Township will be overseeing this project going forward.

S. Soderstrom asked for update on the soccer fields and status on where we stand with Dean Holmes. K. Edison noted that a letter had been sent to Dean Holmes in an effort to have the outstanding items completed. Dean Holmes responded with a follow up letter but has not completed the outstanding items. Based on the boards recommendations there will be no further contact with Dean Holmes to complete the punch list. K. Eidson further advised that she has been trying to gain the approval of the DNR to continue with the punch list items; however, obtaining the needed approval has been very slow due to an outbreak of people on sick leave at the DNR. K. Eidson noted that approval was received to move forward with the re-seeding of the soccer field area. Jetstream will handle the re-seeding of the actual soccer fields and the Grand Blanc Parks & Recreation Park Maintenance Staff will handle the surrounding areas in an attempt to reduce the cost.

S. Soderstrom asked K. Eidson for an update regarding the surge protector for the well pump at the Splash Pad. K. Eidson noted a protector was being purchased and the funds would be taken from the equipment fund. K. Eidson also noted the cost of repairs made to the pump were submitted to the insurance company and outside the deductible, all expenses were reimbursed.

Assistant Directors Report

J. Kilmer noted that she was impressed with the efforts that Parks & Recreation made to accommodate a request from a Muslim women's group. This group of women approached our swim supervisor inquiring finding a time in which they could use the swimming facilities. Parks and Recreation had a few issues to work around to be sensitive to some religious based requirements. With the help of the swim supervisor all the requests were met and it seemed to be well attended during the summer session. The Muslim group is working to recruit more people to make sure there is enough participation to continue offering the session.

Recreation Programmer Report

S. Soderstrom asked how the Special Needs Golf Outing went. A. Bouchard noted that it was well attended and that she was waiting for Dave Donahue to provide the final numbers.

Senior Center Coordinator

No Report / No questions were raised.

Maintenance Supervisor

J. Kilmer made note that the Park and Recreation Maintenance Crew did an outstanding job with the set up for the festival and also indicated that the area was in the best shape that it has ever been for the festival activities.

Administration & Policy Committee

No Report / Did not meet

Budget & Finance Committee

No Report / Did not meet

Senior Committee

No Report / Did not meet

Area & Facilities

J. Kilmer noted that the committee did not meet but at the August Commission meeting K. Eidson was directed to find out from the attorneys where we stood on the amended motion that was made to include legal counsel regarding Grand Blanc Parks & Recreation receiving and holding donated funds earmarked for the Dog Park Project. Outside of the information that K. Eidson was prepared to report on, more information was brought forward by members of the Commission. All information was referred back to the Area and Facilities Committee to be discussed. A recommendation will be made after the committee has a chance to review all new information.

Budget & Finance

No Report / Did not meet

New Business

Nothing to report

Old Business

Nothing to report.

Financial Reports

T. Petit made a motion to accept the August 2010 Financial Reports as submitted. F. Millstead provided support. Yeas-6 Nays-0, Motion approved.

H. Rogers made a motion to adjourn as there was not further business to discuss. B. Hester provided support. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Hester, Secretary
BH/CN