

City of Babbitt
Parks and Recreation Board
June 13, 2011
(unapproved until next meeting)

The Regular Meeting of the Babbitt Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Chairman Duane Lossing.

Present for roll call were Jim Mackai, Ron Marinaro, Duane Lossing, Joe Scherer, Mary Muellerleile and Mike Jaeger.

Absent were Devin Lind-Chamberlin and Jim Zupancich.

Also present was Teddy Stromback.

It was moved by Mackai, supported by Lossing, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 25, 2011. Motion Carried.

Old Business

The holes in the path at Fountain Hill Park have been cold patched, the grass has been mowed down to the water and the pumps for the fountain are being repaired this week.

One frisbee golf basket has been ordered.

The use of the baseball field for a dog exercise area was discussed. Mackai informed the school district of the use and discussed with the Board the possibility of rebuilding the current baseball field for high school baseball.

Coordinator Scherer was granted extra time for Walleye Whamma by the City Council and will need to request extra time for Peter Mitchell weekend if required.

Coordinator Scherer discussed the use of equipment for the all night graduation party and the possible misplacement of the X Box used at the graduation party.

Discussion followed on the presence of a fire ring at the beach. It was removed as it was too close to the building, improper materials were being burned, fires were not being extinguished prior to leaving and questions regarding liability. Discussion followed on the possibility of police assistance with the fire pit and possible public locations in Babbitt Proper. Coordinator Scherer will discuss with Klegstad insurance and liability issues.

It was moved by Mackai, supported by Jaeger, to recommend to the Babbitt City Council, for economic reasons the cable on the beach entrance should be removed and not replaced. Motion carried.

Coordinator Scherer received one inquiry regarding the beach concession stand bid. If there is not any interest, a pop machine and vending machine will be placed in the beach house and locked when the beach is not attended.

Floe will repair the loose decking on the dock, it will need to be brought to Hoyt Lakes for the repair. The floats for the dock have been purchased.

New Business

Teddy Stomback discussed the situation with the City gardens. The garden in front of the Municipal Center is in need of some work. Coordinator Scherer will work with Teddy to have summer workers help with the flower gardens. Coordinator Scherer will investigate the purchase of hose boxes. Coordinator Scherer and Teddy will meet with Klegstad to discuss the budget for the gardens and wages for the City Gardener.

The summer dance classes were discussed; topic was tabled until Lind-Chamberlin is present.

It was moved by Mackai, supported by Marinaro, to recommend the City Council hire seven summer workers. Motion carried. Workers hours will be scheduled and maintained by Coordinator Scherer. The background testing on the workers was expedited to accommodate work schedule needs.

The beach will be staffed seven days a week from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Radios have been ordered but have not been received.

Coordinator Scherer will attend City Council meetings when necessary to provide answers and information. Coordinator's work schedule will be adjusted to accommodate.

It was moved by Mackai, supported by Jaeger, to approve and authorize bills as presented. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jaeger, supported by Lossing, to adjourn at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Muellerleile
Parks and Recreation Board Secretary