

**CITY OF CANAL FULTON
PARK & RECREATION BOARD**

July 9, 2008

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD:

Fred Fleming called the July 9, 2008 Parks & Recreation Board meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALLING OF THE ROLL

Present: Fred Fleming, Ed Fousek, Mary Ann Hupp, and Barb Allman.

Absent: Mary Ann Higgins, Katie Mertz and Ethan Fahrney.

Others Present: Kathy McConnell, Canalway Center.

CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA - None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Hupp moved to approve the June 11, 2008, seconded by Mrs. Allman. **ROLL: Yes, Mr. Fleming, Mrs. Hupp and Mrs. Allman. Abstain, Mr. Fousek.**

OLD BUSINESS

PUFFENBERGER PROPERTY:

Recreation Center Update: Ms. McConnell stated she met with Mrs. Saeger and discussed programs. They are still in the planning stages with the facility design. They are trying to design it based on programming. Their focus appears to be on a general recreational and fitness center with a soccer wing. They will have multi-purpose gyms. The timeline currently is about three years.

Engineering for Topography Grading: No Report.

OFF LEASH PARK:

Broken Seats on Picnic Benches: Mr. Fleming stated they are waiting for them to come in.

BRICK DONATIONS: Mr. Fleming reported that he has a brick to install.

PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMMING:

Movies in the Park: Ms. McConnell stated they showed the Jungle Book and had approximately 50 people in attendance.

Silent Movie: Ms. McConnell stated they had about 40 people in attendance.

Concert in the Park: Ms. McConnell stated the Community Band played June 12 and approximately 50 people attended. The concert on July 3 was cancelled due to weather.

Special Event Cruises: The special event cruises have been cancelled.

The Canalway Center will be hosting a campfire event in place of the cruises. She stated she will be working with Chuck Haas to coordinate them.

501(c) 3: No Report.

TENNIS COURTS:

Build Your Own Drinking Fountain: No Report.

Light Timer: They are going to install a timer for the hours that the lights can be turned on. Mr. Fleming reported he is unaware if the timer came in.

Rules & Regulations: Ms. McConnell stated the sign has been installed. There was a quick turn around time on getting the sign made and installed.

Latches for Gate: Mr. Fleming stated he got a price quote for latches from Southway Fence. In conversation with Mr. Mayberry, they learned that new latches had already been installed. For future use, Mr. Fleming will keep the information that he has received if the new latches that were installed do not hold up.

CANALWAY CENTER:

Canalway Center Report: Ms. McConnell stated the monies that were allocated for a television and DVD player at the last meeting have been purchased. She stated she is looking for software to make the pictures into a slideshow.

Interpretive Panels: Ms. McConnell reported that the panels will be done soon. Glenn Dettman from the Independent has taken some photographs around town and he is transferring them to a CD.

Reservation Procedure & Instructions: No Report.

DISCOVERY PARK:

Park Benches, Re-Installed – No Report.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS:

Report: No Report.

BUDGET:

2008 Budget Review – Mr. Fleming stated in watching the budget, he has noticed the training/workshop item is out of money and in the red.

Ms. McConnell stated she attended the Ohio Parks Association Workshop. She has attended it for the past twenty years. She would recommend others to attend. They have different workshops throughout the day. It is a very informative workshop.

COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR:

Project Suggestions: Mr. Fleming stated some of the planters at the dog park need flowers. They need some for under the sign in the St. Helena Park and Discovery Park.

There was a discussion on trash cans in the parks and banners on the streets.

Ms. McConnell stated the Summer Works Youth Program is now in place. Three students have started and more will be added the next week. They work four hours a day, five days a week. They are working on projects.

OLDE CANAL DAYS:

Show Planning: Mr. Fleming asked where the stage is going to be for the Park programs. Ms. McConnell explained where the events would be held and what the scheduled events were.

Dick's Sponsorship: Mr. Fleming stated the discounts have not come in. They do have a discount of \$40, plus a \$10 discount. He stated the bike/helmet is \$160. He is seeking permission from the board to take the \$50 discount off the bike and pay the \$110 on the parks business card and then when the other discounts come in, the store will credit it toward the card.

Mr. Fleming stated they will be selling water again this year. There was discussion on the hand outs for the booth.

Mr. Fleming asked for a motion to spend up to \$110 for the purchase of the bike and helmet.

Mrs. Allman moved to allocate up to \$110 for the purchase of the bike and helmet to be raffled off at Olde Canal Days, seconded by Mr. Fousek. **ROLL: Yes, ALL.**

There was discussion of the scheduling of the booth amongst the members.

PRIORITY LIST:

Report: No Report.

ST. HELENA HERITAGE PARK:

Fence: No Report.

New Roof for Refreshment Stand Building: Mr. Fleming stated Mr. Mayberry is going to get the prices on the trusses.

Olde School Yard Park:

KaBOOM!/The Home DePot Blitz Project: Home Depot was back again to work on the project. They will be here another day or two to complete the project. They installed a new play unit. They painted the swings.

New Student Advisors (Katie Mertz): Not Present.

Muhlhauser Park: No Report.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Reservations: Ms. McConnell stated there is a motorcycle group that wants to set up in the parking lot for checking in motorcycles. They are expecting up to 300 people. It was suggested that they waive 50% of the pavilion rate fee, and charge them \$20. They want to set up by the St. Helena II. She stated she had spoken with Mr. Mayberry about this, and it was recommended to set them up in the grassy area close to the handicap parking, which would alleviate any cross over in the traffic.

Mrs. Allman moved to approve setting a canopy fee of \$20 for those wishing to use their own, without a pavilion rental, seconded by Mrs. Hupp. ROLL: **Yes, ALL.**

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fleming adjourned the July 9, 2008 meeting. The next regularly scheduled meeting is August 14, 2008 at 7:00 PM.

Fred Fleming, Chairperson