

The Minutes for the Park Board Meeting held on Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Center

Mark Dickerson opened the Park Board Meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Present: Jean Garascia, Sally Wahlbrink, Tina Swindle, Jane Davis, Judy Mantych and Mark Dickerson;
Director of Parks & Recreation.

Absent: Kathy Endorf, Alease Dailes, Dave Cross and Alderman Don Merz.

The Minutes for the Park Board Meeting held on Tuesday, November 19, 2013 were accepted as presented.

Mark Dickerson mentioned we are still in the process of setting up to accept credit cards. Hopefully by next month's meeting we'll be on line. A discussion followed. Mark said we will also be getting our own server so we won't be connected to City Hall.

Mark reported the doors in the indoor pool area have been fixed except for one. It works but it would be too expensive to replace at this time.

Mark reported the parking problem on court nights has been a lot better. So I think that has been taken care of.

Mark reported Ameren MO has some extra funds and will be taking some trees down that are on easements. They will provide money to plant a new smaller tree. I'll be going on a ride along with them tomorrow to see what they will be taking out. I think they are only taking out about nine trees in Bellefontaine Neighbors. It is usually on their main lines and not in the neighborhoods. It will most likely be going down Bellefontaine Road and maybe in a park. They will be contacting the property owners. If the resident and City have no objections the tree will be taken out and Ameren will pay to put in a smaller tree that won't affect their power lines. A discussion followed.

Mark reported the "Just Lose It" program just started up again. We have 53 participants weighing in and about half are residents of Bellefontaine Neighbors. Jean Garascia mentioned she thought Martha had a participant in the top 10 the last time. A discussion followed.

Mark reported we are trying something new with our indoor pool. There is a new procedure which uses Sphagnum Moss placed in what looks like a lobster cage in the pool filter. This system cuts down the amount of chlorine needed to maintain the pool. It purifies the water, takes out a lot of the bacteria and lowers the Ph which makes it easier to keep the pool walls and gutters clean. What we used to have to scrub off just wipes off now. We didn't make an announcement when we started using the moss because we just wanted to see if anyone noticed a difference. Our employees who are in the pool to teach have really noticed a difference because their skin is no longer getting dry and they don't smell the chlorine on their skin. A discussion followed. We probably won't try this in the outdoor pool this year but possibly in the future. A discussion followed.

Mark mentioned when the weather gets a little better we will be getting a new television for the lobby.

The Dare Dance is scheduled for Friday, February 21, 2014.

A discussion was held concerning the Senior Bus.

Mark reported we are working on fixing our shingled roof. GAF Corp. determined the shingles we used were defective so we received a payoff and we will have to repair it again. Luckily, it isn't leaking but it isn't wearing the way it should. A discussion followed. Mark said when we fix it we probably won't do the whole indoor pool area but we'll keep an eye on it. We will also be getting new countertops in the men's locker room and the restrooms. We will also be getting some new equipment in the weight room but I haven't started on that yet.

Mark reported the Spring Brochure will be going out on February 22nd.

Mark reported we had to take one of the lights down in front of City Hall and will put it back up tomorrow. A discussion followed.

Mark asked if anyone had anything.

Jean Garascia mentioned Senior Programs offered by a number of Cities including Florissant and St. Ann. Jean asked if Bellefontaine Neighbors is ever asked to participate. A discussion followed concerning how many busses other communities have to use for transportation for their trips to keep their cost down for the participants. A discussion followed.

The Park Board Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Mark Dickerson, Acting Chairman

The next Park Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Please notify the Recreation Center staff by calling 867-0700 if you are unable to attend.

**City of Bellefontaine Neighbors
Transportation Service Monthly Report
January 2014**

Medical Appointments	37
Grocery Shopping (Schnucks, Aldi's, Shop n Save & Riverview Dairy)	35
Banking -US Bank, Regions & Commerce	7
Target/Family Dollar / K-Mart	4
Pharmacy Trips	4
Hair Appointments (Bissell, Masters Touch)	14
Recreation Center (Meetings & Classes)	16
Cracker Barrel (1/13)	7
Library	0
Post Office/License Office	3
Jamestown Mall	2
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Total Participation	129
Total Number of Residents	36
Total Donations	\$50.00

**Bellefontaine Neighbors
Recreation Center Daily**

Date January 2014	
Weight Room	\$311.00
Gym Classes	\$1,498.50
Racquetball	\$38.00
Swim Fees	\$64.00
Swim Lessons	\$2,720.00
Room Reservations	\$1,790.00
Park Reservations	\$380.00
Swim Team	\$511.00
Day Camp	\$0.00
Snack Bar	\$621.42
Gym User Fee	\$329.00
I.D. Card/Passes	\$661.00
Special Events	\$1,069.00
Miscellaneous	\$74.00
Miniature Golf	
GAF Shingle Refund	\$4,760.55
Total	\$14,827.47

**Bellefontaine Neighbors
Recreation Center Participation**

January 2014

Gameroom:	28
Room # 101:	323
Room # 109:	148
Swimmers:	1,073
Gym Use:	702
Racquetball	
# of hours:	8
# of players:	28
Weight Room:	627
Total Participation:	2,937