

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

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

Present: Jean Garascia, Tina Swindle, Kathy Endorf, Judy Mantych, Dave Cross, Mark Dickerson; Director of Parks & Recreation and Alderman Don Merz.

Absent: Sally Wahlbrink, Jane Davis and Alease Dailes.

The Minutes for the Park Board Meeting held on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 were accepted as presented.

Mark Dickerson reported we submitted to three contractors and received two bids for the new roof. I'll present them to the Board of Alderman at the meeting on November 6, 2014. They came in pretty high. If the Board of Alderman agrees to it we'll go with the company with the lowest bid. The company said they don't have a problem with getting the roof done in November or December.

Mark mentioned we talked about the Park Grants and I went to the meetings. They are due at the end of this month but we aren't putting in for anything at this time. Mark said we have a year or so to decide what we'd like to do. I spoke with the Mayor about doing a Master Plan for one of the parks. The oldest one is Bissell Hills and we've talked about redoing that. Since it would be a matching funds grant it will depend on whether the Mayor would want to proceed and have the Master Plan done. If we proceed we should know by the first of the year because that's when it comes out.

Mark mentioned getting more information concerning the bus grant we got in 2012. They have the money now so all the people who qualified to get a bus will have to apply for the grant this year and hopefully get a bus next year. She did say if you were picked to get a bus in 2012 there is a good chance you will be picked again. There is a meeting Friday with East West Gateway and one in about a month with MoDot. So we'll go to those and resubmit the grant and see what happens.

Mark reported the Beer/Wine Event went well. Everyone who was there had a good time. Craig set up a flat screen TV and it looked great. So we had music and the ballgame and a good bonfire. It would have been nice if we'd had another 30 or 40 people. A discussion followed.

We also talked about changing the Park Board Meeting from 7:30 to 7:00 p.m. So starting with next month's meeting we will start at 7:00 p.m.

Mark mentioned we're working on a few things outside including grinding up leaves and grass. The last picnics were the weekend of October 11th. I'll have Kathy send out the Park Reservation Report for this year. A discussion followed concerning tearing down the Bissell

Hills Shelter. Mark said if we tear that shelter down and rebuild our numbers would probably increase the only drawback is the parking situation for that park. A discussion followed concerning possible insurance issues if the cars were parked on the church parking lot. Mark said usually if something happens with a car it goes back to their car insurance. Mark went on to say I'm not promoting using the church parking lot. There just isn't a lot of parking space available for the shelter at Bissell Hills Park.

Mark mentioned we worked on the fence at Tanglewood Park and will be working in the parks as long as the weather permits and then we'll move inside.

Mark reported the winter classes start up again in January. Mark said we'll have them on the sign in another week. The City Newsletter will be delivered on November 1st. Shirley usually put a page or two in the Newsletter concerning our winter session of classes. The scouting for food bags will be delivered with the newsletter.

Jean Garascia asked when the sign was changed because she noticed all the classes had been taken off the sign at Klein Park. Mark said Craig changed it on Monday. She also mentioned the Ameristar Casino sign is hard to read. Mark said it's kind of tricky because when Craig puts them on his laptop it looks good and it doesn't always look the same on the sign. A discussion followed.

Tina Swindle asked if Mark still gets e-mails concerning recycling from Waste Management? Mark asked if she was signed up for their contest and told her it was over. A discussion followed.

The Park Board Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Mark Dickerson, Acting Chairman

The next Park Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at **7:00 p.m.** at Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Center. Please notify the Recreation Center by calling 867-0700 if you are unable to attend.

**Bellefontaine Neighbors
Recreation Center Participation**

October 2014

Gameroom:	34
Room # 101:	551
Room # 109:	241
Swimmers:	2,329
Gym Use:	773
Racquetball	
# of hours:	16
# of players:	64
Weight Room:	779
Total Participation:	4,787

Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Center Daily

Date: October 2014

Weight Room	\$252.00
Gym Classes	\$369.25
Racquetball	\$89.00
Swim Fees	\$112.00
Swim Lessons	\$1,561.25
Room Reservations	\$1,320.00
Park Reservations	\$40.00
Swim Team	\$40.50
Day Camp	\$0.00
Snack Bar	\$337.25
Gym User Fee	\$55.00
I.D. Card/Passes	\$1,180.00
Special Events	\$1,919.76
Miscellaneous	\$80.69
Miniature Golf	\$52.00
Wash Account	-\$10.00
Total	\$7,398.70

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

Medical Appointments	37
Grocery Shopping (Schnucks, Aldi's, Shop n Save)	31
Banking -US Bank, Regions & Commerce	5
Target/Family Dollar / K-Mart	7
Pharmacy Trips	3
Hair Appointments (Bissell, Shear Perfection)	12
Recreation Center (Meetings & Classes)	28
O'Charley's (10/13)	12
Post Office/License Office	1
Flu Shots	2
Walmart (10/27)	2

Total Participation	140
Total Number of Residents	28
Total Donations	\$0.00