

Charter Township of Redford

Parks Commission Meeting April 14, 2008 Revised

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Redford Park Commission was called to order April 14, 2008 by the Chair at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Chair, Maureen Okasinski
Vice Chair Diana Brang-Schroeder
Secretary, John Keenan
Treasurer, Laura Weaver
Commissioner, Steve Offman

Absent: Commissioner Kevin Dodd, Commissioner Saira Comerford, Youth Commissioner Suzanne Vulaj

Also present: Tom O'Connor, Debbie Break, Theresa Burgess and Mike Curle

08-050 Approval of Agenda: Motion made by OFFMAN, supported by KEENAN, to approve the Agenda. All ayes. Motion carried: 5-0 Absent 2

08-051 Approval of Minutes as amended: Motion made by OFFMAN, supported by BRANG-SCHROEDER, to approve the minutes from March 24, 2008, subject to minor changes made in the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried: 5-0 Absent 2

Citizen Comments: None

New Business:

- **Kaboom Playground Build Grant:** Commissioner Okasinski would like to see a sub-committee created to apply for future grants through the Kaboom program sponsored by The Home Depot. She would like the input from Redford citizens, youth and adult. Volney-Smith, Claude Allison, Phoenix Parks and possibly along the bike trail could all benefit from this program. Debbie Break will put together a packet of information regarding this program for each commissioner for the next meeting.

Old Business:

- **Ball Diamond Improvements:** Commissioner Keenan reported all the dugouts are up. He appreciates everyone's hard work. Everyone is happy with the results. Commissioner Keenan felt the results were very satisfying, for it had been a lot of hard work over a long period of time.

Department Report:

- **Tom O'Connor:** Welcome back to Mike Curle. Cinco de Mayo is having a 5K run on Saturday, May 3 starting at 9:00 a.m. He has flyers if anyone is interested.
- **Mike Curle:** Happy to be back. Someone cut the diamond back at Western Graham field. It will cost just under \$1000 to cover it with infield mix to make it safe for play. Mr. Curle and Mr. O'Connor will try and find out who did the cutting and handle it.

- There is a citizen whose property borders Elliot Tot Park. He is going to replace the fence and would like to know if the Park Commission would be willing to pay for half the cost.

08-052 Motion: by OFFMAN and supported by WEAVER to split the cost 50/50 to replace the fence with the homeowner adjacent to Elliot Tot Park. All Ayes. Motion carried: 5-0 Absent 2

- The Global Relief Tree sale will be April 26, 2008. Mr. Curle could use the help of some volunteers on that day starting at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Curle will send all the commissioners an email regarding the event.

Commissioners' Report:

- **Commissioner Offman:** Welcome back to Mr. Curle and congratulations to Commissioner Keenan on the dugouts.
- **Commissioner Weaver:** Welcome back to Mr. Curle. She would like the commissioner's park surveys to be added to the next agenda. She thinks the commissioners can continue to evaluate the same parks they have been.
- **Commissioner Keenan:** Welcome back to Mr. Curle. Commissioner Keenan thinks the world of Mr. Curle.
- **Commissioner Brang-Schroeder:** Welcome back to Mr. Curle and congratulations to Mrs. Burgess on her new baby. Doggie Rama will lose a couple vendors because the date has been moved up a week. She is also looking for a new pet photographer.
- **Commissioner Okasinski:** Welcome back to Mr. Curle.

Park Bills

08-053 Motion was made by BRANG-SCHROEDER supported by OFFMAN to approve the Park's bills for 75100 Recreation, 75500 Concession and 75200 Maintenance. All ayes. Motion carried: 5-0 Absent 2

Communication: None

08-054 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. by OFFMAN, supported by WEAVER. All ayes. Motion carried: 5-0 Absent 2

Respectfully submitted by Mr. John Keenan, Corresponding Secretary

Recording Secretary: Debbie Break