

**CITY OF MISHAWAKA, BOARD OF PARKS & RECREATION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

DATE: August 12, 2013
TIME: 4:30 p.m.
PLACE: Battell Center Community Room
PRESENT: Reg Wagle, John Coppens, Carolyn Teeter, Ellen West, Bob Shriner & Bill Pemberton
NOT PRESENT: Robert C. Beutter, Esq.
ALSO PRESENT: Terry Zeller, Michelle Wotring

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Board President, Reg Wagle, called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited. Mr. Wagle called for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 22nd regularly scheduled meeting. Mr. Coppens moved to approve the minutes as presented and Mrs. Teeter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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OLD BUSINESS:

None at this time.

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NEW BUSINESS:

WorldVenture, on behalf of Brandon and Hanna Grudda (both present), requested a reduced rate for the use of Battell Community Center's auditorium to hold a benefit concert on August 30th. Benefit proceeds would be given to a non-profit for overseas work in Guinea, West Africa. Mr. Wagle paused to explain to Mr. and Mrs. Grudda that, while the event was for a great cause, it would not be benefitting a local group/community and that granting the request would go against prior established Board policy. Mrs. Teeter then moved to deny the request, and Mrs. West seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Alpha-1 Foundation, represented by Tom Corron of Ft. Wayne and Terry Nickerson of Rolling Prairie, requested a waiver of the fees to use Beutter Park as a staging area for its fundraising "Walk for the Cure of Alpha-1". Funds raised would go to the Alpha-1 Foundation, Inc. of Florida which provides leadership and resources towards research, health improvement, awareness, and eventually a cure. The Board reiterated that as the event would not be benefitting local organizations, it could not approve a waiver of the fees. Mrs. Teeter moved to deny the request and Mr. Coppens seconded it. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pemberton moved to table The Company's request for fee waiver after representatives from The Company had spoken. Mrs. Teeter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Recent situations involving the use of electronic cigarettes in public use facilities prompted the Department to review the current "Smoking Policy". As a proactive measure, a rough draft of potential language to be included in a policy was provided to the Board. Mr. Zeller indicated that the language was being provided for review and that further discussions were needed on exact language for adoption as well as enforcement related issues before the Board would move with an official vote.

Mrs. Wotring requested approval for payment of claims for the Parks & Recreation Department as listed below:

2013-00000258	\$1,364.45
2013-00000261	\$155.00

2013-00000269	\$1,461.50
2013-00000274	\$128,307.21
2013-00000277	\$1,111.75
2013-00000279	\$1,455.30
2013-00000284	\$120.00

Mrs. Teeter moved to approve the claims as presented on the above dockets and Mr. Shriner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Zeller presented the Board with the Battell Center donations for the month of July as well as a corrected April sheet. July donations totaled \$976.02 and April donations totaled \$607.97 rather than \$585.22. Mrs. Teeter moved to accept the donations as presented and Mr. Coppens seconded it. The motion carried unanimously.

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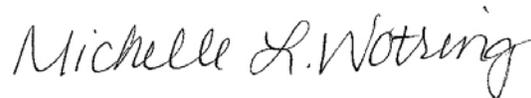
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. Zeller briefly reported that the 2014 budget had been submitted and now it was a waiting game. Once again departments were asked to "hold the line".

Mr. Wagle then called for additional questions and/or comments from any others present at the Board meeting. As there were no further questions or comments to be made, Mrs. Teeter moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Shriner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Submitted for Approval to the Board



Michelle L. Wotring,
Office Manager, Parks & Recreation

Approved:

Carolyn Teeter, Board Secretary

Persons in attendance providing contact information include:

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