

January 19, 2009 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm.

Roll call began, members attending were Sharon Petty, Curtis Bailey, Ron Motil, Dennis Reynolds, Mike Vallino, Jill Walker and Angel Merz. Absent were Judy Weimann, Carol Frerker, Butch Bicanic, Jean Scheller-Sampson, Park Liason Todd Bell and Roger Shoup.

Due to the resignation of park board president, Roger Shoup the committee motioned to appoint temporary chairman to Ron Motil, Merz motioned, Walker, seconded motion. Merz will scribe in Bicanic's absence.

Committee agreed to abstain appointing new chairman until next months meeting when all committee members are in attendance.

Motion made by Motil, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Petty to hold approving of minutes from last month's meeting until February meeting.

- A) Correspondence – Letter from Joey James for band participation, Petty to forward to Bicanic.
  
- B) Khoury League Update – John McNamara, President of Khoury League updated Committee on what they've been doing. They decided to put maintenance building and pitching cages on hold at this time due to economics. They had their 2<sup>nd</sup> registration sign up for this year and are about 100 kids down from last year. Next and last sign up is Saturday 1/24/09. McNamara stated they have sponsors who help those who want to participate but cannot afford fees. Also needs 3<sup>rd</sup> field named. He needs by 5-7-09. It had been decided in previous meetings to go by age of ball players. Mayor to advise who the next in line is. The list was in Jolene's office so he will provide at a later date. McNamara mentioned Bob Boken's grandson came down and saw the field and sent a letter thanking them and mentioned he would possibly sponsor a team this year. McNamara also stated that Bob's great-granddaughter currently plays volleyball at SLU. McNamara stated that the Community Improvement Board (Tracy Fenton) would handle the coordination of the parade this year. Asked if the park board would like a banner carried in the parade. Dennis Reynolds recommended a motion for the 3<sup>rd</sup> person on the list be provided by Mayor Gullledge so the Khoury League can start plans on next field name. Mayor Gullledge recommended to John that we need to further discuss how to do a better job of keeping the fields and other areas cleaned and maintained.

## Events Report

Holiday Lighting Contest was discussed. The winners were contacted and several attended the December board meeting where prizes were given out.

The Golf outing has been put on hold until next meeting.

Discovery Series has been confirmed. Attached is the calendar with the updated details.

Concerts in the Park Series follow up with Butch at February meeting.

Movies – See list attached

Dates for 2009 activities confirmed – Calendar attached

No Liason's comments as Todd Bell was not in attendance.

## Mayor's Comments

### Pending Grants/Projects

2009 Pep Grant - \$15,000 – Mayor stated that they put in paperwork for the Toro zero turn radius with a 6 foot cut to help save cutting day and provide a putter cut in the parks. This equipment comes with a 60 month warranty. We will know at February meeting if the board approved. If not approved we have until 3/3 to submit alternate.

OSLAD Grant has been pulled off the table per the Mayor. The costs of overhead lighting at the ball fields are out of sight. Purchase and installation for 2 fields \$150,000 per field. Bids extended due in by 2-3 (Juno & Assoc)

Last date to order fish & trees will be 3/31/09, board decided to also look at the free tree options available. Next Community Workday was scheduled for 4/25/09. The mayor stated that local churches want to help on workdays. With the April workday scheduled we will plan to coordinate for additional help. The Mayor also mentioned he would like to have a walk through town or through the parks as part of National Community Service date next year. (1/19 is the date)

Lake Dredging – working on cleanup. Used \$34,000 of the \$40,000 grant. Dirt being used to fill in areas. Bad stuff to water tower. Plans to build walkway and south side with retaining wall.

Last comment from Mayor was budget needs something finished by March meeting. He stated we need to put what's important in, and let the board sort out.

Meeting adjourned 7:30pm.

