

SOUTH LYON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

Wednesday April 8, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Vice Chairperson Wilson.

Present:

Commission Members: Dianne Beagle
Scott Black
Lori Mosier
Erica Wilson

Kristen Delaney - City of South Lyon

Absent: Robert McConnell, Michael Olando

Approval of Minutes - Motion by Mosier, supported by Black, to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2009 meeting, as amended, and the minutes of the March 11, 2009 meeting, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Agenda - Motion by Beagle, supported by Mosier, to approve the agenda for the April 8, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments - There were no citizen comments.

I. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Composting in Volunteer Park** – Wilson stated she was contacted by a resident about more dumping in Volunteer Park. Upon visiting the site, she found more lava rocks and many more full yard waste bags. Delaney stated that the issue of disposing of all of the material piled in the park is going before the City Council at the next meeting. Bids for removal of the material and cleaning up the area are being solicited. A gate across the dirt road into this area of the park will be installed in several days, per City Manager Murphy. Wilson will email a picture of the entrance site to Delaney and indicate on it where the gate would be most effective in preventing vehicle access.

Delaney will establish a date for a Volunteer Park clean-up session to remove trash and debris from the rest of the park. Delaney will contact L. Ledbetter to inquire if area Boy Scouts would be interested in this as a community service project.

2. **Financial Report, FY 2009-2010 Budget** – Delaney presented a year-to-Date Expenditure Report showing budgeted amounts for Parks and Recreation. Funds have been budgeted for park equipment. Commissioners will compile a list of equipment needs during the parks walk-through and Delaney will present it to City Council for funding.
3. **McHattie Park Restrooms** – Delaney stated that the DPW is waiting for the weather to warm up before opening the restroom building. It could be open by mid-May. Hours of operation are dawn to dusk.

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Potential Eagle Scout Projects** – Several projects were suggested for the Boy Scout who had inquired about them, all in McHattie Park:
 - repairing and landscaping the gazebo at the entrance by Wendy's
 - painting the large gazebo by the old schoolhouse
 - painting and landscaping the white wooden bridge across the creekIt was decided to recommend the first project listed to the Scout as it could be approved and overseen by the Commission. Previously, the Commission had offered to be the clearinghouse for Eagle Scout projects for the City of South Lyon. It was decided that the Secretary would maintain a master list of projects and their status.
2. **South Lyon Soccer Club Field Reservation Procedure** – This item was tabled until the next meeting. Orlando was to verify that the Club's field reservations were being done through South Lyon Area Recreation.
3. **Spring Walk-Through** – Postponed until the May meeting due to weather.
4. **Spray Park** – Black stated that he had been approached by several Community members as well as a Brownie Troop about constructing a water spray play area within McHattie Park. While the Commissioners were supportive of this idea, there is no funding in the current Parks Master Plan for it. Commissioners agreed to discuss this idea at some point following the parks walk-through.
5. **Labor Day Community Bridge Walk** – Delaney had received an email from the State of Michigan regarding registration for this year's Labor Day Bridge Walk. Since she had not been involved with the Walk before, she asked the Commissioners for information on how the Walk was scheduled and managed. Delaney will register South Lyon's bridge walk online with the State and further planning will be done at the June Parks and Recreation Commission meeting.

III. Commission Comments – None.

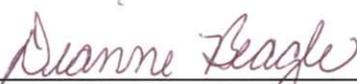
Delaney stated that she would maintain a master calendar of park reservations and use. She also stated that a "South Lyon Issues" Facebook group had been established and it had some good information regarding issues and

events in the South Lyon area. Delaney will add a Parks and Recreation group and link it to the "Issues" group. This may be a useful tool for the Commission to provide information to and obtain feedback from residents.

IV. Adjournment – Motion by Beagle, supported by Black to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Upcoming meetings: May 13 (Spring Walk-through)
 June 10
 July 8
 August 12

Submitted by: 
Erica Wilson, Vice Chairperson


Dianne Beagle, Secretary