

PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Bedford Township Hall  
8100 Jackman Road  
August 24, 2015  
7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: John Mohr, Chair, Connie Velliquette, Sally Dunn, Michele DeLaney, & Garnet Francis.

ALSO PRESENT: Jake Sorosiak, Community Education, Larry O'Dell, Board Liaison

EXCUSED: None

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. by Chairman John Mohr, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion was made by Velliquette, seconded by Dunn to approve the agenda with an addition under Samaria Park to discuss faucet replacements at Samaria and Carr Park. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Velliquette, seconded by Dunn to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2015 Park Board meeting as presented. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Francis explained current expense list. Motion was made by Francis, seconded by Dunn to approve the Treasurer's report with expenses totaling \$5,352.64 and a General Fund balance of \$48,008.21, Millage Fund balance of \$38,617.13, Prepaid Exp. balance of \$1857.37 for a total of \$88,482.71. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Francis, Dunn, DeLaney, Velliquette, and Mohr. Nays: None. Excused: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None

COMMUNITY EDUCATION: Sorosiak reported that fall sports would be starting soon and the Final Bedford Walk was Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. He thanked Francis and Dunn for attending. Three walkers were there and can pick up prizes at the Community Ed. Building.

FRANCIS FAMILY YMCA: None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

OLD BUSINESS:

**Carr's Grove Park** –Velliquette commented on how nice the clean-up and mulching looks. After a recent issue over having to supply outside water for a water slide, it was decided to ban future water slide usage. Francis received an estimate of \$110.00 to replace the cartridge on the leaky faucet. The Board agreed to go forward with this repair.

**Samaria Park** –Delaney reported two parts of the drinking fountain are not working and the handicap swing is missing its harness. Francis will look into replacement parts for swing.

Garnet stated the water is currently safe for drinking, but still needs to pass a five sample test in September. Discussion followed regarding recent vandalism (two broken lights and gazebo spindles kicked out). Mohr will seek suggestions from Taulbee Electric. It was agreed the estimate to replace three faucets was high, Francis will seek another estimate.

**White Park** – Velliquette updated board on Grand Opening of Pickleball Courts: The BedfordNow interviewed and took photos of a family playing for an upcoming article and is putting small signs up in businesses around town. Mohr will mention it to the Seniors when he speaks to them about the Parks next Monday at the Senior Center. Community Ed. hopes to have Connie Mierzejewski teach classes next Spring. Mohr will bring water to the Grand Opening. Francis reported the Port-a-Potties had been knocked over, but she contacted Stevens and they were set back up.

**Parmelee Park** – Mohr reported the mulching is all finished and looks good.

**Indian Creek Park** – Dunn would like to see more weeding done in the creek area and asked permission to hire someone to repair the cement on her parent's bench.

**Ansted Park**-Francis informed board the round-up has been sprayed, but not much work has been done to the trail yet.

**Adopt-A-Park** –Dunn reported the County Kids 4H parent permission form has been approved.

**Signage and crosswalk at Indian Creek & White Parks** –Dunn is meeting next week with the Monroe County Road Commission to discuss this issue.

NEW BUSINESS: None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

**Velliquette** – None

**Dunn** – None

**Francis** – Reported the side door at Samaria Community Center was left unlocked.

**DeLaney** – None

**Mohr** – Thanked everyone.

**O'Dell** – None

**Sorosiak** – Commended the Board as a team for exposing Pickleball to the Community.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. by Mr. Mohr.

Sally Dunn  
Park Board Secretary

Nancy L. Gin  
Recording Secretary