

**City of Eureka
Park Board Minutes
September 14, 2010**

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

Park Board Members Present: Gianino, Hoskins, Jarvis, Jennemann, Kaiser, Moore, Pearce, Rechten and Thurman.

Not in Attendance: Chambers.

Also in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Rathmann, Mayor Coffey and Alderman Sir.

Act on Minutes of August 10, 2010:

Rechten made a motion that the minutes be accepted as written. Kaiser seconded the motion and they were unanimously approved.

Guests: No guests were present.

Old Business:

(A) Programs Report

The report was included in the meeting packet (see attachment).

(B) Events Report

The report was included in the meeting packet (see attachment).

(1) Eureka Days Review

Jarvis suggested spreading mulch before Eureka Days.

Rathmann stated that the decision was made before the event not to use mulch since it was difficult to remove after the event.

Jarvis stated that the sawdust was a good choice since it is biodegradable.

Gianino stated that she had heard comments that it was a waste of time and money to sod field #1 and then hold Eureka Days there.

Rathmann stated that the decision to sod was made because of the weather last winter and the lack of time to allow for grass seed to grow. She stated that the project also included grading the field. She added that baseball would not have been able to take place without the sod.

Jarvis stated that the project was the cost of doing business.

Moore asked if grass seed could be placed immediately after the Rodeo to allow time to germinate.

Rathmann stated that the City was receiving recommendations from several different companies on the best course of action.

Mayor Coffey added that the sod project occurred to reverse several years of damage on the fields. He stated that more Johnny-on-the-spots were needed. He also suggested paving the ends of the pavilion for the beer trailers to allow the middle of the pavilion to remain open.

Rathmann stated that she would like to raise the grade of the pavilion to stop the flooding issues.

(2) Fall Family Fest Volunteers

A volunteer sign-up sheet was distributed.

(C) Drewel Park Playground Progress

Rathmann stated that the project was nearing completion.

Gianino asked the timeline of this project.

Rathmann stated that it had to be completed by the end of September due to grant requirements.

(D) Berry Park Update

Rathmann reported that the bulk earthwork on the site was almost complete. She added that several upgrades have been made to the electrical work to allow for future growth. Rathmann informed the Board that the project was about five days behind schedule due to the weather. She stated that she was looking into building the restrooms on-site instead of a prefabricated restroom. She added that the restrooms would be heated.

(E) Caboose Update

Rathmann stated that bids have been requested for fencing around the caboose. She added that landscaping and plaques would be added to the caboose as well.

(F) Route 66 to Kircher Park Trail

Rathmann informed the Board that she was waiting on one easement. She stated that approval from MoDOT has been received.

New Business:

(A) Winter Trout Fishing

Hoskins reported that a winter trout fishing program would be held this winter. He stated that the City would purchase the trout and that the season would run between November 1st and February 1st and would be a catch and release program. During that time period, only fly-fishing would be allowed. After February 1st, participants could keep the fish.

Rechtien asked the number of fish that would be purchased.

Hoskins stated that there would be a total of 1,000 trout.

Moore asked if participants needed a permit to fish in the lake.

Hoskins stated that since the City was purchasing the fish, permits were not necessary. He added the goal of this program was to provide a new activity for the City as well as help revitalize the lake.

Financial Report: The revenue for the month was \$5,548.00. The expenditures for the month were \$5,914.08.

Report on Parks:

Bowlby

It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.

Legion

It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.

Lions	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Drewel	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Kircher	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Hilltop	It was reported that the park was in acceptable condition.
Forby Road Nature Trail	It was reported that the trail was in acceptable condition.

Upcoming Meetings:

October 12, 2010

November 16, 2010 (rescheduled from November 9, 2010)

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, on a motion by Rechten, seconded by Hoskins and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

(Original with signature on file)

Kristin Christenson
Program Coordinator