

# Rockville Park & Recreation Board

## Minutes of April 4, 2013 Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Present: John, Lori, Rick H., Paul, Rick T., Scott & Duane W. and Bryan D.

1. March meeting minutes were approved with a motion by John and a 2nd by Rick T.
2. Nature Parks & Trails did not meet tonight.
3. Ball Program Update: Bryan sent ball registration forms home with the kids at John Clark Elem. School, hoping to get some early registrations in. T-ball coach is all set up, splitting it into 2 groups this year. Still need some other coaches to step forward. Other towns still have some meetings coming up. Still waiting to see what happens with Major BB here or with Cold Spring/Richmond? Even though we raised our fees, we are still lower than most cities. Will be ordering new hats – probably Navy blue with a white "R". Also priced out pitching machines, which would be around \$600.00. Two sponsors were found, each paying \$50.00 towards it; so if we found more sponsors, the Park Board would pay \$200.00 towards this. Bryan will put together a web site and link it through the city web site. Still don't know about the adult mens leagues, but if they don't play, it will really hurt the concession stand revenue.
4. Rain Gardens: Paul did get three teachers from St. Johns (at a cost of \$300.00 for 4 hours) to help with planting, making it an educational experience for all who help. This is planned for the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June. The seedling order is being worked on. Rocori FFA and John Clark summer school will participate in this.
5. We finally did receive the \$2500.00 back from Kinsers, but they have not returned the additional \$500.00 that was donated by the Rockfest Comm.
6. Hoping to do a prairie burn in May, weather permitting, when enough fire fighters can be scheduled. (Did not do one last fall – too dry.)
7. Tree Ordinance did pass at the City Council meeting, but with some changes and some questions. Paul will answer these questions at the next council meeting. If we do decide to have a tree inspector, it should be shared with another city.
8. The Easter Egg Hunt was again very successful this year. A summary of this event is attached.
9. The old Pleasant Lake City Hall should be refreshed. This could be done with just some cleaning out, paint, and carpet.
10. Talked about the budget and where money should be spent this next year. Possibly some crack filling in the walking path, making the hockey rink also into a volleyball court for the summer, and some warming house improvements.
11. The initial cost of the dock was \$195.00 and is being reimbursed to Duane W. Waiting to see if we can get the lumber for the decking donated, (or else we will have to buy it) and then the Lions Club will fasten it on.
12. Motion to adjourn by John, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick T.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25

Next Meeting is Thurs. May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted by Lori Anderson

## 2013 EASTER EGG HUNT SUMMARY

- We had about 200 kids. We had made up 215 treat bags. Each bag had a can of pop, bag of chips, marshmallow treat, egg tattoo, porcupine ball, little activity book, stickers, plastic watch. The cost of each bag was around \$1.10. (The pop was donated by Viking Coke, and Cash Wise gave a \$25.00 gift card which went towards the chips.)
- We put out 1200 eggs. 500 (0-4 age group) 400 (5-7 age group) and 300 (8-10 age group) We put 3 of the larger chocolate eggs in each one. Next year we will get smaller bulk eggs to save some money.
- It rained all night the night before, but cleared up and was sunny and it wasn't too muddy. There was still snow on the ground, but it was held where it had been plowed for the Polar Plunge parking.
- Thanks to Brian K. for being our bunny.
- We had 6 large stuffed bunnies for the grand prizes in the youngest age group. We had 5 baskets filled with toys and goodies for the middle age group. We had 4 small baskets with a large candy bar and a \$15.00 Target gift card for the oldest.
- The Rocori Royalty helped on Friday night making up the treat bags and putting the candy in the plastic eggs, and they also helped on Saturday for the event.
- The Honer family brought live bunnies again this year for the children to see and pet.
- We collected 198 lbs. of food and \$5.00 cash for the food shelf.
- We have very little of any prizes left. We will need eggs next year. We do have large basket bags for the grand prizes.
- The expenses for this year totaled \$852.62 (This is up about \$60.00 from last year). We should try to come up with some ways to reduce this more. Maybe donations or sponsors??
- We put out a plastic bin and had people recycle their plastic eggs for next year. We got quite a few back.
- Since this building no longer has electricity we got permission and used extension cords plugged into the 400 Club garage.

