

Rockville Park & Recreation Board Minutes of April 6, 2012 Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:10pm

Present: Scott, John, Paul, Lori, and Rick Tallman

1. We met tonight, on a Fri., instead of last night to have a short Park Board meeting followed by Easter Egg Hunt preparations.
2. Motion to approve the March minutes was made by John with a second by Paul.
3. Rick Tallman was present and has an interest in becoming a member of the Park Board. We explained a little about what we do. A motion was made by John, with a second by Paul, to accept Rick as a new member of the Rockville Park & Recreation Board.
4. Nature Park & Trails met last night. Paul gave a summary of the meeting. Duane & Tim will fix the bridge in Eagle Park to make it more flood proof and handicap friendly. The "Share the Road" signs are ready to be ordered. They also discussed the possibility of putting in a dock in the mucky canoe landing area in Eagle Park. Andy will check into some prices on these types of docks. The Rocori Trail is moving forward.
5. Scott & Lori did attempt to contact the homeowner in regards to connecting Lena Lane to White Oak Road, but she was not home. They will try again.
6. We did receive a \$250.00 grant from Stearns Electric to rent a spade for tree planting. A grant from Stearns Co. Soil & Water for \$13,800.00 also came through for the rain gardens. Thanks to Paul for all his work on grant applications.
7. The Pleasant Lake Area Homeowners Assoc. may have someone present at the Easter Egg Hunt to collect money for the fireworks.
8. A candidate was interviewed for the concessions worker. He would also be willing to be the Summer Ball Program Coordinator. There is one other person interested in this position, but he has not committed yet or filled out an application.
9. The next Ad Hoc Committee meeting for the RSC building is April 17 at 7:00pm.
10. A motion to adjourn was made by Paul, with a second by Scott.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45. This was followed by filling the plastic easter eggs with candy, and assembling the bags that will be given to each child at the Easter Egg Hunt. We had help from some Park Board members families and also from the Rocori Royalty.

Next meeting is May 3, 2012 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Lori Anderson

2012 Easter Egg Hunt Summary

- We had about 225 kids. We had prepared 196 bags to hand out, so we were short. Next year make sure we have extra pop (and/or chips or cookies) to hand out if we run short on bags.
- A suggestion for next year is to hand out the bags to the kids ourselves, which would prevent kids, or parents, taking more than they should.
- The weather was a little cool, and drizzled at the very end.
- We had a bin for people to recycle the plastic eggs (which worked well) except it needs to be set outside so it doesn't hold up the line.
- We used printed eggs for the "Grand Prize" eggs, and labeled them, and this worked out well.
- We did send flyers home with the families at John Clark Elementary, and distributed some flyers in the Pleasant Lake Area.
- Lori was the Bunny again this year, but next year we need to find someone else. It is too hard to be the bunny when you are one of the organizers of the event, and don't know what is happening.
- The Rocori Royalty helped with the preparations on Fri. evening and on the day of the event. This was a big help.
- Tony Honer also arranged to have real live bunnies there to be petted.
- We collected 378 lbs. of food and \$16.00 cash for the Food Shelf.
- The total expenses for this year were \$790.15.
- We could probably put less in each bag we hand out to save some money.
- We did get a \$25.00 gift card from Cash Wise, and most of the pop was donated from Viking Coke.
- Thanks to all who helped make this years event a great success!