

# Rockville Park & Recreation Board

## Minutes of Aug. 2, 2012 Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

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

1. June meeting minutes (there was no July meeting) were approved with a motion by Paul and a second by Rick T.
2. **Ball Program:** Bryan gave us a hand out with a summary of this season, which went well. Need better scheduling between the teams – Bryan will work on this. He got feed back from the coaches with high praises on our fields. There were good crowds at the games. He gave us lots of suggestions for next year, including getting a pitching machine (at a cost of about \$200.00). There is no longer any parking along the road – the county put up signs. In Sept. or Oct. we will go over the final expenses for the Ball Program when we have all the concession stand figures.
3. Steve Heying has decided to resign from the Park Board. We thanked him for all his years on this board. He will be missed. It would be nice to find a replacement for him, especially someone with all his Rockville knowledge. **THANKS AGAIN, STEVE, FOR ALL THE YEARS YOU DEDICATED TO THE PARK BOARD.**
4. Rick gave us a price of \$471.40 to put in lime for the warning track. He will go ahead with this project. He will also try to take out the hump behind 3<sup>rd</sup> base at Comm. Park, and also would like to dethatch the outfield.
5. **Nature Parks & Trails:** There is a port-a-potty now at Eagle Park. This will be taken out for the winter, but put back in early spring so the school groups can use it. We want to keep children involved in nature! The canoe sign is now hanging from the bridge. The driveway has been patched. We could possibly be getting some additional plant signs. The next large educational sign we would like to do would be about the eagles nest. Pictures and data will be collected to start on this. If we don't find a donor to pay for this sign (like the last one) we can pay for it ourselves. Will continue to do thistle control in the pasture to keep it from spreading. Phase 1 on the Rocori Trail is well under way, and there is a possibility that Phase 3 will happen before Phase 2.
6. The Kiddie Tractor Pull put on by us at RockFest was a big success. We had 69 kids participate in this event.
7. We went over the budget for 2013. The city budget meeting is on Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>. Paul & Lori will attend, since Scott cannot.
8. With the Stearns Co. Soil & Water Grant there will be 2 large rain gardens and 2 prairie grass areas put in at Lions Park this fall. We also will plant some oak trees at that time.

9. The mat and mulching around the new trees in Lions Park was done by Paul, Rick & Nick.
10. Sentence to Serve did help put in the new rain garden behind city Hall.
11. It was brought up that it would be nice to have nice soccer nets for some Rockville people playing soccer in the area.
12. Cheeto asked if the SB fields could be used for a kickball tournament this weekend. We said yes to this request. It was also agreed that they could bring in their own refreshments since the concession stand would not be open.
13. We will ask the garbage collection company if there could be a recycling can put in at Lions Park.
14. We had a previous request to connect the walking path around Lions Park to Lake Road on the west end. Scott made a motion, with a second by John, to go ahead with project, using class 5 and spending up to \$500.00.
15. Motion to adjourn made by Scott, with a second by John.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25.

Next meeting Thurs. Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00.

Respectfully submitted by Lori Anderson