

## **Rockville Park and Recreation Board**

### **Minutes of Oct. 9, 2013 Meeting**

(Meeting was held 1 week later due to scheduling conflicts)

Called to order at 7:00 pm

Present: Scott, Lori, Rick, Paul, John, Duane, Bryan (SBP), and maint. employee Kevin Brown

1. With a motion by Paul and a second by John, the Sept. meeting minutes were approved.
2. We all introduced, and told a little about ourselves, to Kevin Brown who is Rockville's new maintenance person. He will be attending our Park Bd. meetings, so we also told him what we all do. He then told us about himself and his background. Duane also added a little about his hiring and that he and Don S. are helping him out part-time while he gets acclimated with Rockville and his duties.
3. Bryan gave us a hand-out on the summary of the 2013 season of the Summer Ball Program. He also gave us some good suggestions for next year. One of which was to add a security light on the left field pole. A motion was made by Scott, with a second by John to do this by Spring, through the electric co. Other suggestions included adding another picnic table, doing some artistic painting on the outside of the concession bldg., leveling the infield behind 3<sup>rd</sup> base, and adding a hose hook up outside that would have a turn off also inside to prevent it from being used or left on after games are over. Thanks to Bryan for another good year and a job well done!
4. Nature Parks & Trails Update: Thanks to Daryl Steil for cleaning up the downed trees in Hansen Woods. Also, in Hansen Woods, on Tues. Oct. 22, there will be a biology teacher and student classes coming in to remove buckthorn! The grand opening that was held in the County Park had about 50 people attend. There will be a turkey hunt being held in the county park Oct-23-72, so no buckthorn removal that weekend. And the biggest news is that FEMA money did come through to pay for 75% of the damaged tree clean up needed in Eagle Park, with the state picking up the remaining 25%. (Thanks again to Paul for all his efforts on this project!) This work has been started, and the chipped wood is now being delivered to a St. Cloud Park that was looking for some! There was a motion by Lori with a second by Scott to have this contractor also trim the "lightening tree" at a cost of \$100.00, which will be paid from Park Board funds.
5. In Community Park, all the piles up trees and branches have now been removed. Now this area is slightly damaged and needs some work done. It probably just needs to be leveled and seeded. We, as a Park Bd., feel we should first persue FEMA to see if they will also pay for this, or else it would come from city funds.

6. The cement picnic table was not installed in Lions Park due to the fact that the ground was so hard and dry, they could not dig into it to put the forms in for the cement base. It will probably wait until spring.
7. Sunday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> will be our annual Santa Day! As in the past it will be from 1-3:00 and held at the Fire Hall. Plans are under way, and we will check if Brian K. will again be the “man in red” for us. Bruce C. needs to be contacted to see if he can again do the photography. Lori will get prizes ordered. Need to get volunteers scheduled – park board members and their families, and possibly the Royalty can help again.
8. The dock in the canoe landing in Eagle Park needs to be taken out of the river. Duane will make sure this happens.
9. Motion by John made to adjourn, with a second by Rick.

Adjourned at 8:40

Next meeting is Thurs, Nov.7 at 7:00pm

(Preceded by the Nature Parks & Trails at 6:00)

Respectfully submitted by Lori Anderson