

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOONE CITY PARKS COMMISSION
MONDAY November 14, 2011

Mike Swarts called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call: Members present were: Mike Swarts, John Greiner, John Niemants, Dr. John Murphy, John Rouse Director of Parks & Public Works, Mike Cornelis, Neil Olson, Luke Nelson City Administrator & Julie Meimann. Guests Jim Turbes KWBG, Chip Baltimore State Representative, Taylor Tidgren, & Matt Frana.

2. Agenda: Greiner made the motion to accept the agenda, Niemants seconded. All in favor.

3. Presentation of Petitions & Other Communication:

A. Recognition Neil Olson 10 years of service-Park Board presented Neil Olson with a plant

B. Sledding Hill –Baltimore is willing to present legislation to make sledding hills in the state equal to pools and parks as far as having insurance on them. Before he goes to the state he would like to talk to the Mayor and City Attorney and possibly have some kind of design plan. Murphy will meet with Brown to discuss some designs for a safe sledding hill.

4. Previous Minutes: Swarts made motion to approve previous minutes, Murphy seconded. All in favor.

5. Monthly Bills: Commissioners discussed and approved monthly bills: Cemetery, Park, Pool and Urban Forestry. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Greiner to approve bills. All in favor.

Park		
Alliant Energy	Utilities	2194.04
Arnold Motor Supply	Repairs	161.05
Boone Construction	McHose Project	5156.00
Boone Construction	Herman Pavilion Project	9778.68
Caffrey Wholesale	Supplies	99.36
Dick’s Fire Extinguisher	Buildings & Grounds	178.45
People’s Clothing	Clothing Allowance	313.00
R. H. Grabau Construction	McHose/Pavilion Projects	24202.32
R & W Power	Repairs	227.09
Sherrill Inc	Clothing Allowance	95.11
Van Wall Equipment	Repairs	79.26
Walter Sanitary	Waste Removal	262.81
Boone Hardware	Supplies	228.00
Aspen Equipment Company	Chipper Cover	69.36
Steve Kelley	Cell Reimbursement	19.00
Miracle Rec equipment	Swing set seats	232.08
Boone Ace Hardware	Repairs	18.78
Key Cooperative Boone	Utilities	36.00

Sue Mortenson	Repairs	225.50
Central IA Truck & Trailer	Repairs	445.03
D & J Complete Tree	Tree Removal	1800.00
La Crosse Forage & Turf	Grass seed	312.00

Cemetery

Arnold Motor Supply	Repairs	10.95
Neil Olson	Cell Reimbursement	15.00
Condons Service LTD	Supplies/Propane	420.00
Dick's Fire Extinguisher	Annual Inspect/Maint	178.45
Brent Shaw	Cell Reimbursement	19.00
Orschelns	Supplies	4.99
People's Clothing	Clothing Allowance	79.00
Home Office	Supplies	29.98
R & W Power	Supplies	272.79
Boone Hardware	Repairs	9.56
Portable Pro	Utilities	75.00
Boone Ace Hardware	Repairs	44.97

Pool

Neil Olson	Cell Reimbursement	15.00
Mike Cornelis	Cell Reimbursement	30.00

6. Old Business

a.) **C.I.P. budget discussion** –Rouse discuss last year's budget and what the board would like to accomplish in the next year and projected numbers for next year.

1. New Cold Storage- bid \$40,000.00

b.) **Shelter House & Pavilion update-** Shelter House & Pavilion are complete.

c.) **Memorial Park Tennis courts update-** Murphy explained about Memorial tennis court repairs that will take place in the spring with the help of the tennis team & volunteers. Should take about 3 days to complete the clean up and repairs. Murphy would also like to have Cornelis take snow brushes & clean off the black spots on the McHose Park tennis courts.

d.) **Skating pond & new skates for rental-** Murphy told the board that new skates & helmet had been purchased. He would like a new sound system installed and change the flow of the pond to help the freezing of the pond. He plans to speak with the DNR.

e.) **Tree Removal status-** Rouse told the board that we have not received a bill yet, but 5 trees had been taken down that are on the contract with Schell Tree Service.

f.) **Three free clump Birch at Lowe Berry-**Murphy explained that Lowe Berry's had 3 **Birch** trees that we could move if we had a place for them. Board made the decision not to take them.

g.) **Shutters for McHose Shelter-** discussed what type of shutter and that shutters are needed because of the vandalism problem at the shelter. Rouse handed out several different types of options of what could be used to protect the windows.

7. New Business

a.) **Pool Managers Report** - Newcomb gave a full report of the 2011 swimming season at the Boone City Pool. Year started off slow because of cool weather-more pool parties & passes sold, but less punch cards. 2012 will be 20th anniversary of the pool.

b.) **Upgrade Memorial Park Horseshoe Courts-** Rouse told the board that Mike Mc Nace was getting grant money to add a shorter throw pad for younger & older throwers. He had volunteers lined up to help. Motion was made by Swarts to go ahead and let Mc Nace make the shorter throw pad seconded by Murphy. All in favor.

c.) **Vandalism-Need for publicity, solution, suggestions, etc.** – Murphy wants the press to know every time we have any type of vandalism in the parks.

d.) **Pay request McHose Shelter-Boone Construction \$15,156.00-** being paid

e.) **Pay request Herman Pavilion-Boone construction \$4,622.68-** being paid

f.) **Pay request Herman Pavilion- R.H. Grabau Constr. \$36,860-** being paid

1. Last minute Herman Hill Storm damage improvement pay request--\$2,990.84-motion made by Murphy to make payment seconded by Greiner. All in favor.

8. **Superintendent's Report**

a. Cornelis turned in an October's jobs completed sheet. 15 stumps have been ground so far. Pritchard's should have the new roof on the Scout Cabin by Thanksgiving.

9. **Commissioner's Report**

a. **Niemants & Greiner's** last meeting will be December 2011. Taylor Tidgren and Brenda Wafful will be the two new Park Board members.

10. **Public Comment for Items not on agenda:** Tidgren ask about making the Pavilion in the winter a skating area, but the slope is too large for that. Guest Matt Frana was there to let the commission know that he had just moved to Boone and thought the McHose Parks was a great park to have in the community. The Board welcomed Matt to the community.

Adjournment- Swarts ask for a motion for adjournment, Swarts made the motion to adjourn seconded by Greiner. Motion approved at 8:30 p.m.

Commission Secretary_____

Commission President_____

NEXT COMMISIOM MEETING ON DECEMBER 12TH AT 7 PM