

**HARRISBURG PARK BOARD
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JUNE 10, 2015
HELD AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE LIBERTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD ROOM**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Tank called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Berg, DeBruin, Kindt, Tank, and VanOrmer. Staff present: Brown, Locke, McMahon, and Thurston. No guests were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. To approve the agenda for the June 10, 2015 regular meeting.

No changes to the agenda were offered and the Chairman directed approval of the agenda as presented.

2. To approve the meeting minutes of May 13, 2015.

VanOrmer moved, with DeBruin seconding, to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2015 Park Board meeting. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Park Update: Thurston gave an update of recent maintenance activities and issues as well as recent vandalism at Ellis Larson Park.
4. City Update: Brown and Locke reviewed progress on the Central Park Plan. Berg reported on the City's interest in buying the property at 300 E. Elm Street. The intent would be to remove the dilapidated home and outbuildings from the property and use the existing detached garage for storage. After discussion, Kindt moved, with DeBruin seconding, to recommend to the City Council that the property at 300 E. Elm Street be purchased for up to \$32,000.00 through use of 2015 Park Funds. The motion was approved with VanOrmer voting against and all others for the motion.

McMahon asked the members to consider, for action at the next Park Board meeting, creating and prioritizing projects for applications for a 2016 Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant. He also noted that there are still five garden plots available.

5. Foundation Update: Berg provided a short update on the upcoming Harrisburg Days event.
6. HBA Update: No one was present to provide this update.
7. Movies in the Park funding: The Board discussed purchase of a projector, screen, and sound system so the equipment would not have to be rented. They requested that two additional quotes be presented at the next meeting for action. DeBruin moved, with Kindt seconding, to recommend the expenditure of up to \$1,000.00 from 2015 Park Funds to Deputy Johns for out-of-pocket expenses for Movies in the Park. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

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8. Neighborhood Improvement Program: McMahon provided information on a neighborhood improvement program that is being tried in Box Elder. The Board discussed possible program goals, criteria, and funding and will discuss this further at future meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

No input or discussion was offered.

MEMBER INPUT

The Board discussed how best to use the \$10,000 budgeted for trees this year. The consensus of the Board was that trees need to be planted in Lions and Heartland Parks. Tank asked the Board to consider designating an area for archery use in the City. Staff was asked to check on insurance restrictions and to research safety standards.

ADJOURNMENT

VanOrmer moved, with DeBruin seconding, to adjourn. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

The next Board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 8 in the Liberty Elementary School Board Room. The meeting may be preceded by a Central Park planning session.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael McMahon
Planning & Zoning Administrator