

# Muncie Park & Recreation Board Meeting

March 17, 2015 at 6:05 p.m.

City Hall Auditorium

President, Beverly Kelley called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Ms. Kelley asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance.

**II. Roll Call**; Carl Malone (Present), Joann Miller (Present), Yolanda Carey (Absent), Beverly Kelley (Present), and Adrian Leavell (Present).

**III. Approval of the January Board Meeting Minutes** was so moved by Joann Miller seconded by Adrian Leavell and unanimously approved by members present.

**IV. The Superintendent's Report** was given by Harvey Wright.

We have been busy with snow removal during the last 2 months.

We have been installing new signs in the Parks from a grant from Community Development as weather allows us too.

The employees have repaired and painted all the stage sections for this year.

The Urban Forester has been removing and pruning trees. She and Chris had a lot going on so please have patience and they will get to you. With the weather being bad a lot of limbs have fallen to the ground so Parks employees have been busy picking up limbs and branches.

We will be working on baseball diamonds in the next few weeks to prepare for baseball season. We are joining up with the Boy Scouts, Boys & Girls Club, the Unity Center, Ross Center, Buley Center, M.O.M.'s, Friends of Conley, and for the first time in quiet awhile the Muncie Parks and Recreation will have baseball league. We have a new score board coming in for Heekin Park Baseball Diamond.

We are going to be making new flower beds under the new Park signage.

## **V. Event Applications**

- a. Ernest Johnson III –Turned in an application McCulloch Park for a Youth Basketball Clinic and Tournament on May 29, thru 31, 2015. You have to have a permit with the Board of Health if you have vendors. Then you have to come to the park office to get a permit to sell in the parks. Carl Malone made a motion to except the application, seconded by Joann Miller. Approved by all members present. Event fee is waived.
- b. A Better Way –Turned in an application for Shelter #1 at Westside Park on April 18, 2015 for a Peace Walk for victims of domestic violence. They need some security for their event. Carl Malone made a motion to except the application as long as they follow up with the Parks office on their security. Seconded by Adrian Leavell, the event fee is waived. Approved by all members present.
- c. Muncie Heavenly Angels - Application for Thomas Park for egg hunt for site members children, on April 12, 2015 from noon – 2 p.m. No vendors. Carl Malone made a motion and seconded by Joann Miller. Approved by all members present. Event fee waived.
- d. Muncie Black Expo, Inc. – Application for Heekin Park for the Black Expo Celebration 2015 on June 5, 2015 at the northeast corner of the park. Muncie Police will be the security along with Expo security. The coordinator and the vendors need to apply at the Board of Health for their permits, and then come to the park office. Carl Malone made the motion to accept the event, seconded by Adrian Leavell. All members present voted to approve this event.
- e. Muncie Symphony Orchestra – Application for Heekin Park on May 14, 2016 time TBA . Free concert for toddlers /family/community outreach. Will keep in touch. Carl Malone made the motion as read, Joann Miller seconded, all members present approved.
- f. Ironman 70.3 Triathlon – Application for Prairie Creek Reservoir - Set up will be Wednesday July 8, thru Saturday July 11, 2015. We have been doing this for a number of years. Security will be Muncie Police, Delaware County Sheriffs, and the Staff at Prairie Creek Reservoir. The Health Dept. has not had any problems with them or their vendors. Harvey Wright recommends we let them have the event. Carl Malone made a motion to move forward with the event. Seconded by Adrian Leavell. Approved by all members present.
- g. America Multi-Sport, Inc. – Application for Prairie Creek Reservoir at Westside of Indian Hill from 4 p.m. to midnight on August 1, 2015. Security will be Muncie Police Dept., Delaware County Sheriff Dept. and Delaware County Emergency Association. Mr. Steve Tomboni has a second application for the same trail run only in January 16, 2016, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. with the same security. Ivan Gregory will notify Steve Tomboni that there will be a fee

for cleaning up after them because everything has been winterize at this time of the year. Carl Malone made a motion to except these applications, seconded by Joann Miller. Motion carried by all members present.

- h. Muncie Light Horse Club –Application for Prairie Creek Reservoir at Indian Hill on April 18, 2015 at 11 a.m. for Pinwheel Child Abuse. The event on October 2 - 4, 2015 is a fund raiser for the Club and maintenance for Prairie Creek Horse Trails. They have asked that the fees be waived and no trail passes required. Joann Miller made the motion as read, seconded by Carl Malone. Approved by all members present.

**VI. Prairie Creek** - Report was given by Ivan Gregory. He stated, “Dock and campground fees are due by March 31, 2015. We are now taking credit card payments. We hope this will be a great convenience for our customers as well as attracting new guests to the park. We have repaired all the piers decking, then we will be putting in the piers which will take about 2 months. We are behind because of the ice. Camping season starts April 1,

We will turn the water on once the threat of freezing weather has passed. Boating season starts May 1<sup>st</sup>. Hopefully, we will have over half the piers in.

I want to thank the Muncie Fire Dept. We will be receiving Ice Rescue Equipment for the Reservoir and surrounding areas. “ Carl Malone praised Mr. Gregory for getting the equipment for the ice fishing for the safety precaution.” Beverly Kelley asked, “Do the ice fishermen have to come to the office.” Mr. Gregory said, “No, you fish at your own risk, we don’t charge to fish on the ice. I will go out on the ice and check the depth, but I don’t really like to be on it”.

**VII. Old Business**

- a. Honor Prairie Creek Employee – Maggie Cox was presented with a Certificate of Excellence, for saving the life of an ice fisherman, who fell through the ice. He had been in the water about an hour. The firefighters from Muncie and Liberty Township teamed up to rescue the man.
- b. Rental pricing for new items – These are items that was purchase and can be rented out at the park.

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| Bouncy House          | \$50.00 per day  |
| PA System             | \$100.00 per day |
| Portable Score Board  | \$50.00 per day  |
| Large Barricades      | \$30.00 per day  |
| Small barricades      | \$20.00 per day  |
| Corn Hole Game        | \$20.00 per day  |
| Ladder Toss           | \$20.00 per day  |
| Large Tent (no sides) | \$250.00 per day |
| EZ Ups                | \$25.00 per day  |

Company Picnic or Reunions                      \$300.00 per day  
At Heekin Park Consist of  
2 Basketball Courts, 1 Softball Field,  
1 Soccer/ Football Field, 8 Horseshoe Pits,  
1 Shelter House, 2 Porta Pots

Joann Miller made a motion to except the prices, seconded by Adrian Leavell. All members present approved.

**VIII. New Business:**

a. Light Horse Club – Luanne Williams stated that they need help with the mowing on the west side of Prairie Creek,” Harvey Wright would like to meet with the Light Horse Club members.

b. Seniors in the Parks - The Seniors in the Park luncheon will be on March 19, 2015 with the Ross Center at Cabin #3. Lee’s Chicken will provide 15 lunches and the volunteers will bring the dessert.

c. Cornerstone Park at Main/Madison – Brad Bookout presented the proposal for the Cornerstone Park. The notice will be published after March 17, 2015 and received back by Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. There will be a public meeting on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Muncie City Hall. Carl Malone made the motion to accept the proposal and to hold a Special Meeting for the purpose of opening Cornerstone Park bids, seconded by Joann Miller. All members present approved.

**IX. Other Business:**

a. NONE

**XI. Public Input Three-Minute Limit; Please state your name and address**

a. Harvey Wright –“ I want to thank the Boy Scout for coming tonight.”

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Next meeting will be at 6 p.m. at City Hall on May19, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Rude, Secretary