

CITY OF BONDURANT
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES

October 20, 2011

A meeting of the City of Bondurant Parks and Recreation Board was held in the Community Room at the Bondurant City Center on October 20, 2011, at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Board Chair Josh Duden
Board Member Eric Johnson
Board Member John Hodges
Board Member Jeff Meislahn
Board Member Amy Johnson
City Administrator Mark Arentsen
Administrative Assistant Shelby Hagan

Absent: Board Member Nicole Bruce
Board Member James Hayworth

Notice of the meeting was posted at the Bondurant City Center, Casey's General Stores, Legacy Bank and the Bondurant Post Office on October 19, 2011. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

The agenda was approved as written.

Board Chair Duden will be representing the Parks and Recreation Board on the new Sports Complex Board. They have a meeting next week discussing Kinney Park management and operations. The Sports Complex Board's goal is to improve the property and maintenance of the facility.

2011 Recreation Programming: (As discussed by all Board Members present)

Recreation Coordinator Update – City Administrator Arentsen stated that the Council wants him to develop a job description for the next Council meeting on November 7. The Recreation Coordinator position is still in progress.

Lake Petocka Playground Equipment – The Board Members discussed that the playground equipment will be publicly unnamed, and will be referred to as the "Lake Petocka Playground."

Christmas Tree Lighting – Visit From Santa – The date for the Christmas Tree Lighting will be December 3. The event will be from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m., involving arts and crafts. Board Member Amy Johnson suggested we ask the Mother's Club to get involved. City

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Administrator Arentsen will contact “Santa” for the event. The event will be advertised on the sign in front of City Hall, the website, and Facebook.

Tour of Lights – Board Members agreed to table this event until 2012.

Cribbage Tournament – January 29, 2012. The tournament will begin at 1:00 p.m. The Board discussed the possibility of refreshments and prizes.

Dodgeball – February 19, 2012. The Board agreed to use the Middle School gym from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., for the tournament. Board Member Bruce has the equipment for the event.

Spring Event – Small discussion on coordinating a Track and Field day in the spring.

Fishing Derby – The Board Members unanimously agreed to do this event again. It will be held on the free fishing weekend in June 2012.

Summer Event – The Board decided to table the Movie on the Lake event due to licensing issues.

Place, Kick, Punt & Pass – Board Member Hodges agreed to take the lead on this event for Fall 2012. In past years, the event was coordinated with the Iowa Park and Recreation Association to allow regional winners to proceed to a State Finals competition. Board Members stated the Iowa Park and Recreation Association does not sponsor this event anymore, and the Board will have to organize it with the NFL sponsor.

Flag Football League – Board Chair Duden requested we sponsor a four to six week league for adults in the fall. Further discussion will be conversed in future meetings.

Slow Pitch League – Currently the Men’s Club manages the league at Kinney Park in the fall. The Parks and Recreation Board discussed taking control in 2012.

The following items were discussed as part of the Board Members’ comments:

- No comment.

The following items were discussed as part of the Board Chair’s comments:

- Board Chair Duden welcomed new member Amy Johnson to the Board. The Board is eager to have a fresh face with new ideas.

The following items were discussed as part of the City Administrator’s comments:

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- Kinney Park Safe Room installation has been initiated.
- October 1, 2011. Lake Petocka Playground ribbon cutting ceremony was a success. Board Chair Duden assisted with the grilling for the event.
- The Men's Club re-roofed the west shelter.
- The south shelter's renovations are virtually done.
- The City has received a \$75,000 grant for the Chichaqua Valley Trail connection project and is applying for more grants for completing the trail connection between the existing 88th Street trailhead and Lake Petocka.
- Next year the City will ask the Men's Club or Lion's Club the possibility of either club re-roofing the City Park Shelter. New basketball hoops are also in progress for the City Park due to vandalism. Prevention of future incidences are being looked at.

All Parks and Recreation Board members were in agreement to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17, at 6:30 p.m.

Josh Duden
Board Chair

ATTEST:

Shelby Hagan
Administrative Assistant