

**The Hills Park and Nature Trail Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**In Attendance:** Scott Feil, Josh Avigael, Rick Zehrer, Bruce Warmuth, Jennifer Paul, and Mary Ann Grimes

Meeting commenced at 1pm at The MUD Conference room with Scott Feil presiding and Mary Ann Grimes taking minutes.

**Welcome:** Scott Feil welcomed the commission members.

**Motion to approve March minutes was made and they were approved unanimously.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Josh reported that we have still have sufficient funds for the remaining fiscal year. Upcoming payments include the plumbing bill from Cooper's Plumbing, \$2,260, for the repairs to the toilets, urinal and water cooler fountains, and for the work that Florentino has done. Currently, we have \$4,350 in the budget line item Nature Trail Maintenance (Crushed Granite). We are considering this line item as a reserve fund until the end of the 2011 fiscal year to cover unexpected expenses such as the grinder pump repair and water cooler replacement. Florentino will also to be paid for park landscaping maintenance and he is not charging us for his extra trip to haul away the debris from the Park Spring Cleaning Day. Bruce mentioned that before we spend any donated funds, we check with the person who gave the money to The Park and ask if it is alright with them to spend it on a specific item.

**Old Business**

○ **For Discussion/Update**

- **Discussion on items completed and due outs for completion of spring cleanup:** Items due for completion include installing batteries in the cameras, completing the staining of the bridge on larger playscape. Also, the commission would like to turn the berm at the far end of the park into a garden. Jennifer suggested that we wait until October because the plants would have a better chance of surviving and that we may have someone to donate some plants at that time. She also recommended leaving some of the area groomed but natural. Scott may have some of the rocks the MUD retrieves moved to the berm. Rick mentioned that the several areas of boundary boards around the playscape needs to be repaired since they are bowed out and will not hold up much longer. Josh, Scott, and Rick will take a look at the area and decide how best to repair. A motion to approve their collective decision was made so that the repair could be done in a timely manner.
- **Discussion of policy on reserving park on Spring Cleaning Day:** The new policy that will be adopted hence forth will be "No reservations for parties or