

The Hills Park and Nature Trail Commission

Meeting Minutes - December 9, 2008

In Attendance: Bruce Warmuth, Diane Thompson, Ron Dodd, Robert Smith, Rick Zehrer, Kelly Terry, Jane Hines and Peter Hitt

Meeting commenced at 1:00 with Bruce Warmuth presiding as President and Jane Hines taking minutes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Peter Hitt attended this meeting to discuss the memorial that Frank and Ginger Jones donated. The sign was beautifully built by Royce Brandt with no nails-all tongue and groove. They wanted to add an additional sign indicating that Royce, who passed away 1 ½ years ago, had made the sign. Peter stated that Jo Williams and Ginger would work on the design for the new sign. We gave Peter our unanimous approval.
2. Ron Dodd discussed the terms for serving on the park commission which was created in November 2000 with two year terms for seven members. In March of 2007 it was amended to five to nine members wanting re-appointments for continuity. The following indicates the members' starting dates: Robert '05, Diane '07, Kelly '08, Bruce '05, Rick '06, Scott '07, Dwyce '08, Shannon '07 and Jane '08. Ron will continue attending our meetings at least until June when the Board of Aldermen holds their next election.
3. Kelly submitted the names of two potential new members for the Board: Josh Avigail and Mary Ann Grimes. They will be submitted to the Board of Aldermen for approval.
4. Ginger sent a thank you to Bruce and the Board for the ice cream social.
5. Bruce read the notice she submitted to the newsletter to summarize the ice cream social. It was also requested that the newsletter ask folks to contact MUD regarding any problems they may notice in the park.
6. Rick proposed that we maintain a long term continuity binder to capture all of the Board's important information, including the names and contacts for all who have submitted bids for work in the park. Rick will undertake this in January.
7. Ron will contact Ginger about the mowing along Serene Hills Drive. It needs to be done 2 or 3 times annually and is the responsibility of the County.
8. Constable Kent Schafer has been doing an excellent job of patrolling and checking on the park.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rock Climbing Wall and Slide

1. Needed parts are back ordered and should arrive mid-December
2. It should be a 3 day job, including extending the pea gravel pit
3. John Mann will assist with the placement of the holds for the wall
4. Once installed, we will determine how to address the sides of the slide
5. Per Rick and Scott, Carl from Playwell was extremely helpful in repairing the slide
6. Kelly has graciously agreed to stay on the project through its completion

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45

Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 13th at 1:00