

Centralia Park Board Meeting Minutes (unapproved)  
Tuesday, August 18, 2009  
Centralia Recreation Center - 12:00 NOON

**Park Board Members Present:** Richard Dickerson, Dale Davidson, Mike Kinkead, Harold Ward, Dick Ward, Harold Beasley, and Bev Reynolds.

**Also Present:** Randy Pauley, Lynn Behrns, City Administrator, Jim Enlow, Park Director, and Janey Enlow, Park Department Secretary.

Meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM by Park Board President, Mike Kinkead.

Minutes from the July, 2009 Park Board Meeting were approved by consent.

Treasurer's Report: As of July 31, 2009 the Swimming Pool Acct. still had a balance of \$99. Treasurer's Report was approved by consent.

The Park Board welcomed new member, Dick Ward.

The nominating committee presented a slate of officers for the 2009-10 year as follows:  
President – Mike Kinkead Vice President – Jeff Ryan Treasurer – Bev Reynolds Secretary – Janey Enlow.  
Harold W. moved with a second by Dale D. to accept the slate of officers as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion was held about the Park Board becoming a member of the Chamber of Commerce. Richard D. volunteered to attend the meetings as the representative of the board and report back and share information. Members instructed Jim to get more information about cost, etc. and report back to the Board in September.

Ball Field Renovation & School & Park Agreement – no new funds have been received. The warning track is not completed. Mike K. reported he had contacted Superintendent Ford and relayed the information discussed at the July Park Board Meeting in regards to the contract submitted by the School Board. Mike had not received an updated contract or information from Mr. Ford prior to the noon meeting of the Park Board. More discussion was held about if the Park Board is interested in a contract with the school. Members felt a contract wasn't necessary at this time. The payment of \$15,000 was not an agreement between the Park Board and the School. It was money requested by the Ball Field Renovation Volunteers from the school for work already completed on the North and South Ball fields which are used by the schools ball teams.

It has been brought to the attention of the Park Board that in order to play music, etc. over the PA Systems owned by the Park Dept. a contract and license fees with BMI and ASCAP are needed. Bev R. moved with a second by Harold W. to have the City Attorney, Merritt Beck, follow up and see what type of contract we need. Motion passed unanimously.

End of the Season Swimming Pool Hours: An ad has been placed in the Centralia Fireside Guard for two weeks, hours are also posted at the Swimming Pool and at the Centralia Recreation Center.

A request was made as to the possibility of having an end of the season Doggie Swim at the Centralia Municipal Pool after closing for the season to the public. Discussion was held. It was decided not to allow a doggie swim at this time.

## **Centralia Recreation Center**

### Recreation Committee Recommendations:

The committee felt it needed more time to work on a possible Corporate Membership plan. The committee will report back at the September Board Meeting.

The committee felt it needed more information about the Weight Lifting Class for Youth. More information will be brought to the committee at their next meeting.

The committee reported back results of the Adult Aerobics Survey and recommended 2 different classes each day, one morning and one evening class, 5 days a week, with each session lasting for 6 weeks. Jim will contact the instructors, to get the class times set up, guidelines for the classes, and then advertise for enrollment. Richard D. moved with a second by Bev R. to purchase appropriate equipment to hold these two classes. Motion approved unanimously.

The committee recommended we set up an Adult Wii Bowling League to be held during the morning beginning at 9 AM in the Activity Room. The Rec Center would provide Coffee and allow participants to bring in snacks to share. Cost: Free to Members - Daily Admission to Non Members

The committee recommended a survey for a Volleyball League, offer either a Women's League or Co-Ed Volleyball League, depending on the feedback. This program would be held on two nights a week and could possibly start in November. We would need a minimum of 4 teams signed up per league in order to offer this program.

It was reported the cost of adding mirrors to the fitness area will be \$947 and can be installed during the week of August 31<sup>st</sup>. Board Members said to go ahead with this addition to the fitness area.

ACC will install our additional security cameras and the security systems at City Park Concession.

Discussion was held about organized activities from 3 PM to 6 PM after school begins. Velda McKenzie will be planning some activities for the children. Stephanie Kelly and Dyson Dick will be assisting her.

Discussion was held about winter snow removal. Jim is to contact Phil of the city street crew to get his input.

Thank you's have been received from PTO for the Swim Safety Program, Head Start for our participation in the "Things that Go" event, and Jill Angell, High School Softball Coach.

A request by Kristin Adams was made to hold a Memory Walk for Alzheimer's on Nov. 14 from 10 am to 2 PM beginning at the entrance to the City Recreation Park to the South Shelter exit and back. Harold B. moved with a second by Bev R. to close the park drive from the entrance to the south exit to allow for Memory Walk for Alzheimer's on Nov. 14 from 10 AM to 2 PM. Motion approved unanimously.

## **Park Directors Report**

### **Miscellaneous**

1. High School Softball has started practice at Nathan A. Toalson Bicentennial Park.
2. Middle School Softball will start practice Thursday at South Field.
3. We provided picnic tables for a Wedding Reception and the United Methodist Church for a Back to School

event. We provided bleachers for the Demolition Derby at the Fair Grounds. We also have been asked to provide bleachers for an upcoming event at the Battlefield.

4. One of our light poles was struck by lightning at the West Field at Nathan A. Toalson Bicentennial Park and is being repaired by the City Electric Crew. We had to have a new transformer and new parts in the transfer transformer. This also knocked out the security system at the concession and camera system at the Skate Park.

5. Staffing – We have added Brandie Bryson and Kelsay Reichert to the receptionist staff at the Recreation Center for the upcoming fall/winter months.

6. We now have Gift Certificates available for purchasing memberships at the Recreation Center.

### **Maintenance**

1. Mowing and trimming is on schedule.
2. Our concession stands have been cleaned out and Panther Boosters will be using the building at Nathan A. Toalson Bicentennial Park for fall high school softball.
3. We assisted with grass seeding and adding straw to cover it at the Rec Center.
4. Park Crew tilled the Kiddie Kushion to fluff it up @ Nathan A. Toalson Bicentennial Park playground.
5. Pulled weeds & grass on the North field area.
6. Painted signs in the Recreation Park.

### **Swimming Pool**

1. Attendance for the Year: As of Aug. 17th

Last year 2008	15,587	75 days	Average 207
This year 2009	14,635	74 days	Average 197

2. Swim Lessons – see attached sheet
3. Herndon has temporarily repaired base for our dual slide and will look at a permanent repair in the off season.
4. Our diving boards have considerably worn on the surface which makes them slick when wet. These were purchased in May 2002. I have checked about repairing and they would need to be shipped to the Duraflex Company for repair and then shipped them back. Cost would be \$785 per board plus shipping. New boards would cost \$2924.15 each. Harold W. moved with a second by Dick Ward to send our diving boards to Duraflex Company for resurfacing. Motion approved unanimously.
5. High School Physical Education classes would like to use the Swimming Pool beginning Fri. Aug 21st for 2 weeks.

### **As may arise:**

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Janey Enlow, Park Department Secretary