

**PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MINUTES**  
**OCTOBER 14, 2013**

Present: Chairman Mike Fulca, Wade Middaugh, Vee Fasciotti, David Mars, and Gary Sieckman.

Absent: Dusty Weter

Guests: Kathy Middaugh and Mayor Gene Rhorer.

Chairman Mike Fulca called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Mike Fulca called for any amendments or additions to the agenda dated 10-14-2013. With none, the agenda is approved.

Chairman Mike Fulca called for amendments or changes to the minutes dated 08-13-2013. With none, Chairman Mike Fulca called for a motion to approve the minutes as written. Gary Sieckman made the motion. David Mars seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Mike Fulca introduced Mayor Rhorer and allowed him to present. Mayor Rhorer stated he wanted to address the Parks and Recreation Board about the City possibly creating a standalone budget for the Board. He stated currently Parks funds are in the general fund and he would like to see the Park Board have its own budget. The Board discussed the issue.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Home for the Holidays Event  
Wade Middaugh presented ideas for the event this year. He stated that Kim Ponder notified him that she is hosting an event in the American Legion Hall the morning of December 7th as well. Wade stated Kim had requested the Parks and Recreation Board be involved in the event as well. The Board discussed this and decided to have Santa at the Christmas Tree Lighting from 6-7 p.m., ask the Girl Scouts to sell cocoa and cookies, and have the Chamber Choir sing Christmas Carols. No events will be held in the morning, as to not compete with the other events. Wade will report back to the Board with specifics at the November meeting.
2. Long Range Planning Discussion  
Mike Fulca stated that he requested this discussion be added to the agenda. For budgeting purposes, long range planning is important. He stated the Board has been focused on events and short term goals and he would like to Board to begin considering long term goals for each park. The Board discussed this and asked it be added to future agendas to begin the discussion.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Ashland Fall Festival Wrap-up

Wade Middaugh presented the final expense report for the Fall Festival to the Board. The total expenses for the event were \$5,897.54 and the total income was \$3,656.00. Wade stated the net cost of the event was \$2,241.54 and that number is down roughly \$1,500.00 from the previous year. The Board discussed the event and it was decided the event was a great success.

2. Aerator at Park

Wade Middaugh gave an update on the aerator. He stated new parts have been ordered to repair the pump and they should arrive this week.

**DISCUSSION:**

1. Wade Middaugh presented a resignation e-mail from Carrie Ward. The Board thanked Carrie for her years of service to the Board.

2. Vee Fasciotti stated that the Ashland Garden Club has agreed to donate three trees to the City Park to replace ones that have died this year. She stated she would discuss placement of the trees with Wade and he will work with the Parks employee to have them planted this fall.

3. Mike Fulca updated the Board on the Lakeview Estates property that the Board requested the City accept. Mike stated that the Board of Aldermen did vote to accept the property but did not designate it as park land.

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

Chairman Mike Fulca called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Sieckman made the motion, Vee Fasciotti seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.



A. Wade Middaugh  
Utility Clerk/Park Board Secretary

Mike Fulca  
Park Board Chairman