



**PARK & RECREATION MEETING
Minutes of December 7, 2011**

The Park and Recreation Board met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Karen Minshall, Chair	Present
Pam Proctor	Absent
Cathy Combs	Absent
Jeremy Toy	Present
Rebecca Reese	Present

Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: ? made a motion to approve the November 2, 2011 minutes, seconded by ?. All in favor, the motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

VISITORS & GUESTS:

- Bill Rachford, Mayor of Alexandria
- Shawn Neighbor and his father, 9 Connie Lane, Alexandria, KY, 635-1551. Shawn is a friend of Jared Fisher who made an Eagle Scout project presentation to us earlier this year. He suggested planting trees as a project but asked us if we had any ideas. Karen suggested a Reading Circle; Jeremy suggested working on the Frisbee Golf Project. Both Karen and Jeremy suggested Shawn decide on a project and come back in January with a five-page detailed proposal. Jeremy will be the contact with Shawn and Father on this project. Father and Scout Leader, Mr. Neighbors, works for Drees and has access to materials. Jeremy recommended that Shawn pick a project that he is passionate about because it will go on his resume as well as be something to be remembered by. Pam should submit to Shawn a map of the park.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Old Business - Lunch with Santa Event Debrief
 - The mayor would like a breakdown of the monies spent as well as donated. One hundred dollars was donated by Wal-Mart with some food items purchased at cost. He would like to know the number of people who attended and the monies brought in. A woman at the lunch made a comment to Susan Rachford, not knowing who she was, does the money for this event come out of tax dollars?
 - Send thanks to the ones who volunteered - Shirley Simon, Dave Hart, Bill Rachford, girls and mother from St. Mary.
 - 65 Letters to Santa were given to Macy's who in turn gave a \$1.00 for each letter to *Make a Wish*.
 - Set up for event went well Karen said because of her meeting with Pam & Scott prior
 - Santa stage either needs a step or the stage is done away with and Santa is on floor level
 - Santa felt that the blow up tree was a distraction for photo's
 - Karen felt reading was nice but maybe not the kind of activity for the event
 - Mayor thought the number and weight of kids in the Bouncy House needs to be addressed if House is used again next year.
 - 200 Small Stockings, candy and other items purchased from Oriental Trading this year are stored in the P&R room and can be used next year.

- o Mayor attended the meeting at the fairgrounds regarding the 2012 Christmas at Village Green - Artificial Skating Rink and Train Display. Village Green is behind the event. This was the second meeting. It will be a business/commercial event- there will be a charge for the skating and train display. The event will take place weekends from Thanksgiving through Christmas. If this event happens there might not be a need to do the Lunch with Santa next year, Jeremy expressed that each event appeals to a different age group and that the Lunch with Santa should still take place. Mayor Rachford stated that the Christmas at Village Green Event would not be a P&R driven event.
- o Santa Lunch 2012 - more volunteers are needed.
- o More organized
- o Other good ideas craft, face painting, child id.
- NOTE: Someone on the board needs to send an email to Karen Barto (copy Mayor Rachford on the email) asking Karen Barto to look at the rooms upstairs and see if another large room might be available for P&R--even if rooms needed to be reorganized to do so. Large green trash can that Rebecca dropped off on 12/7 filled with Halloween Can should have a sign put on it - Property of Park & Rec - Do Not Touch.
- Jeremy brought up to the Mayor the emailing situation and how difficult it would be if we could not email. We discussed the option to have a Chair and Vice for each event with those two individuals being able to email back and forth. Mass emails are out and no longer allowed moving forward, due to KRS laws.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 5 Year Plan - Jeremy stated that we need to come up with thoughts for our 5 year plan by the next meeting in January (rough Ideas) maybe in 1 year increments - could maybe meet with Frank the engineer. His rate is \$130 per hour. Bring ideas to Mayor Rachford and he might then discuss them with Frank. Ideas would be submitted in January, turning in the 5 year plan in February for pricing and be ready to go in March - budget is due in April.
- Rebecca Reese and Karen Minshall submitted letters of resignation from the park board
- Agenda items for next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Jeremy Toy made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Rebecca Reese. All in favor, the motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

Attested to and submitted by:


Pam Proctor, Secretary

 
Karen Minshall, Chairperson Jeremy Toy

Dated 1/04/2012

Dated 1/4/2012