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PARK & RECREATION MEETING
Minutes of March 14, 2012

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

Jeremy Toy, Chair	Present
Pam Proctor	Absent
Cathy Combs	Present
Rebecca Reese	Present
Steve Hamburg	Present

Jeremy Toy called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Jeremy Toy made a motion to approve the February 1, 2012 minutes, seconded by Rebecca Reese. All in favor, the motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

VISITORS & GUESTS:

- Bill Rachford, Mayor of Alexandria
- Shawn Neighbor and his father, John: For his Eagle Scout project, Shawn presented a drawing and picture of the reading circle he had proposed at our January meeting. He wants to install it near the spillway. There will be three 4 ft. reading benches with a gravel path to access it. The board suggested there be pavers or rocks around the benches rather than mulch.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Park five-year plan – Jeremy will have the 5-year plan done by this coming weekend and will send a copy of it to the board and mayor.
- Park Beautification – Cathy reported that Smith & Jolly Landscaping and Brentwood Landscaping came in with bids for the spring cleanup and maintenance of the park landscaping just \$10 apart (Jolly being \$10 less) It was decided that the board would continue to have Smith & Jolly perform the spring landscaping maintenance. It was also suggested that it would be best to continue to keep the same company working on the park for continuity and ownership. Cathy contacted Martin Koepke, a landscape architect from Cincinnati. He said he would meet with the board to look at the park to see if it would be beneficial to consider using his services for the park. Cathy will set up a time with him to meet with the board.
- Easter Egg Hunt – Signs will be up 2 weeks prior to the event. Rebecca purchased games to play after the Easter Egg hunt. There will be 2 prizes for each age group. Rebecca is donating a sound system. The Beta Club from Brossart will be sending volunteers. Cathy will check with Main Street Baptist Church to see if any of the youth would also want to help. The Easter Egg Hunt starts at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 31.
- Arbor Day/Spring Clean up – Due to concern that there will not be enough to do for spring clean up, there will not be a spring clean up at the park. However, the board discussed whether or not to hold Arbor Day at the park in April.
MOTION: Jeremy made a motion to have Arbor Day at the park in April. Steve seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed with a 4-0 vote. It was decided that we would order 600 trees but would make the final decision once Rebecca found out what was still available.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- Agenda items for next meeting: 5 year plan; budget; park beautification; Easter Egg Hunt follow up; Arbor Day update; Fishing Derby

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Rebecca made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Steve. All in favor, the motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Attested to and submitted by:



Cathy Combs, Acting Secretary



Jeremy Toy, Chairperson

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