

MINUTES

PARK BOARD MEETING

May 18, 2010

5:15 PM – BOGGS BUILDING

The Warsaw Parks & Recreation Board met for its monthly meeting on May 18, 2010 at 5:15 PM at the Boggs Recreation Building. Attendance was noted as follows:

**PRESENT:** Bill Baldwin, Steve Haines, Dan Hampton, Tammy Dalton, John Sadler, Toby Sumpter, , Jon Garber, Larry Plummer, Jr., Staci Young., and Gail Bryan, Secretary.

**ABSENT:** None.

**GUESTS** Shaun Gardner, park employee; Victoria Chamberlain and Roz Swartz.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Bill Baldwin called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The March 16, 2010 minutes were presented for approval. There was no April meeting. Motion to approved by Steve Haines, seconded by Tammy Dalton and carried by unanimous vote.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Jon Garber then swore in John Sadler as park board member for another term. John is also the Vice-President.

Jon then informed the board that they have planted new trees at Pike Lake, Lucerne and at the Boggs Bldg. thru the tree replacement program offered by NIPSCO. With a minimum purchase of 15 trees required, the park split the cost with the Cemetery and the Planning Department. The park also tore out 5 diseased trees downtown and replaced with new ones.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Warsaw Police Dept. has requested the park change the playing hours at the Boggs basketball court due to questionable activity going on there. Lights are now timed to be off between 1:00 AM and 6:00 AM. A new sign was posted but stolen after two days.

Also in new business, Larry Plummer and Shaun Gardner recently attended a National Playground Safety Institute at Purdue University and are now certified in recognizing and correcting playground deficiencies. After doing an audit on all the park playgrounds, a program was instituted to better identify and correct problems to be in compliance with current safety standards. To date, eighty corrections have been accomplished. Surfacing material is a safety concern and after researching such material, Larry finds Engineered Wood Fiber to be the most suitable and economical answer to this concern. The park has earmarked money for cushion material in the current budget.

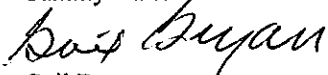
In other matters, Victoria Chamberlain and Roz Swartz addressed the board to request the use of a park to have a corn hole tournament to raise funds toward the Miss Kosciusko pageant. Money raised would go toward the scholarship fund for this event. It was suggested they use Bixler Park at Center Lake on June 5. The board had no problem with this request.

Jon then presented the board the agreement with the Warsaw Community Tennis Association and the parks dept. for financial support in the coming summer. There being no changes from last year, the board approved on a motion by John Sadler, seconded by Toby Sumpter. President Baldwin will sign the agreement.

Jon Garber suggested the June meeting be moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, June 22, due to extra time needed to plan for 2011 budget.

Staci Young, Activities director noted that the new activities brochures are out and summer staff has been hired. She also noted that a fence would be erected next to the Boggs Bldg. for the children's safety during activities there this summer. A new front door and steps with railing has been installed there by the park employees as well as at the Nye Youth Cabin.

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Steve Haines, seconded by Tammy Dalton.



Gail Bryan,  
Recording Secretary