

MANCHESTER PARKS FOUNDATION

BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 12, 2012

Present: Sharon Hughes, Ellen Frey, Barbara Trump, Justin Watts, Marcia Bogash, Donna Davis

Town of Manchester: Tammy Black

Volunteer: Tom Smith

Guest: Vince DePalmer

Meeting called to order by Sharon Hughes at 7:09 PM at Charlotte's Quest Nature Center.

Minutes: Approved as presented. Motion by Justin Watts, seconded by Ellen Frey.

Treasurer's Report: Approved as presented. Motion by Marcia Bogash, seconded by Justin Watts.

Naturalist Report: No report

Public Relations: Barbara and Justin were at the Manchester Stampede and had 16 students sign up to volunteer. Brochures and newsletters distributed to Library, Bureau and Tourism.

Programs:

- *Bocce Ball:*
 - ♦ Vince DePalmer reported that he has 20 teams for 10/06 Tournament.
 - ♦ Asked about group providing a membership table at 8:30 AM. Marcia said that she would try to be there.
 - ♦ There will be 3 contests for prizes.
 - ♦ Dutch Corner Restaurant has donated éclairs again.
 - ♦ Bill and Vince will discuss and order trophies.
- *Memory Grove:*
 - ♦ Invitations have been mailed. Barbara's mother did not receive one as per Barbara's request.
 - ♦ Tom has mowed and cleaned around trees.
 - ♦ Motion by Marcia Bogash and seconded by Ellen Frey that we rethink the role of the Nature Center with this project. Motion carried and will be discussed at another meeting.
 - ♦ Tom will provide mulch and water at the planting.
 - ♦ Donna will purchase soil amendments.
 - ♦ Bill will mark where holes are to be placed.

- ♦ Tammy will try to be at digging to oversee.
- ♦ Tammy will read the proclamation at the planting.
- *Benefactors Picnic:*
 - ♦ Discussion on poor attendance from benefactors.
 - ♦ Everyone agreed that it was very nice and we should do some sort of event but nothing was determined.

Facilities:

- Tom Smith reported that trails were cleared.
- He expressed concern that the end of July or early August someone drove a truck down the trails in the park. The truck hit the stream box and damaged the trails. He spoke to Steve Miller about it.
- Tom expressed concern about the gate not being locked at night. Gate concerns were discussed as to locking or not. Tom stated that the gate has not been closed in a month. Sharon will contact the person who has been locking the gate.
- Steve Miller needs to know where the fence is to go at the pond. Sharon will get in touch with Steve.
- There was a discussion of more police activity at park.
- Telephone System: It was decided that the present system is antiquated and not doing what it needs to. Marcia will contact Verizon for price on new system. Motion by Marcia Bogash and seconded by Barbara Trump. Motion carried.
- Marcia moved that a plaque be purchased and placed at exhibit that was completed by Kevin Utz. Ellen Frey seconded. Motion carried. Sharon will get price.
- Keys to be handed out for box.

Old Business:

Signs for pavilion were reviewed and option #3 was passed. There will be two signs ordered. One for first pavilion and one for Pond pavilion that will recognize Bocce Tournament and the DePalmer's.

New Business:

- Motion made by Ellen Frey and seconded by Justin for a plaque recognizing Bocce Ball contributions. Motion carried.
2011-Educational materials
2010-Picnic Tables

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM

Submitted,
Marcia Bogash, Sec.