

MINUTES
BEN GEREN PARK BOARD MEETING
February 11, 2008
12:00 Noon

The regular meeting of the Ben Geren Park Board was held at 12:00 noon, February 11, 2008, at the Ben Geren Park Community Building, 7200 Zero, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Present were:

Mr. Wayne Hancock
Mr. Frank Glidewell
Mr. Eddy Beshears

Absent were:

Mr. Jerry Neel
Mr. Bud Harper

Others present were:

Hon. David Hudson, Sebastian County Judge
Mr. Steve Nicholls, P.G.A. Golf Professional
Mrs. Paula Vincent, Administrative Secretary
Mr. Clint Johnson, Philanthropy Chair, Sigma Nu Fraternity
Mr. Brock Wilson, Vice-President, Sigma Nu Fraternity
Mr. Tim Pitlick, President, Ben Geren Softball Association
Mr. Joe Mundy, 3rd Vice President, Ben Geren Softball Association
Ms. Mary Crider, Times Record

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon by Mr. Wayne Hancock, Acting Chairman.

There being no corrections or additions to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 14, 2008, Mr. Frank Glidewell moved and Mr. Eddy Beshears seconded that they be approved as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

The first item on the agenda was the Monthly Financial Reports. A total of \$17,206.10 for the Golf Course and \$110.00 for the Front Side was transferred to County Treasurer for January 2008. Mr. Frank Glidewell moved and Mr. Eddy Beshears seconded that the financial reports for January 2008 be approved as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no old business on the agenda to come before the board. Judge Hudson gave a quick briefing on the search for a Park Administrator. We have recruited and are in the process of evaluating candidates and will review the organization and management of the park and how the golf course is run. We would like to get a staff member on board to participate in the park master planning process and the approach we will take to the public opinion surveys. Figures have been received on light pole replacement at the softball complex. This project needs to be framed up as far as our course of action.

The first item on the agenda under new business is request to renew Gator Golf Agreement which expires August 15, 2008. It was moved by Mr. Eddy Beshears and seconded by Mr. Frank Glidewell that this item be tabled until the March meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The second item on the agenda under new business is request for fundraiser to benefit Pets Haven Animal Rescue on Saturday, March 15, 2008 (rain date Saturday, March 22, 2008). It was moved by Mr. Eddy Beshears and seconded by Mr. Frank Glidewell that this request be approved as requested. Motion carried unanimously.

The third item on the agenda under new business is request for fundraiser by Sigma Nu Fraternity at U of A Fort Smith to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital on Saturday, March 29, 2008. It was moved by Mr. Eddy Beshears and seconded by Mr. Frank Glidewell that this request be approved subject to the route being approved by the park staff. Motion carried unanimously.

The last item on the agenda is park revenue reports which are included in the packet.

It was moved by Mr. Frank Glidewell and seconded by Mr. Eddy Beshears that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Vincent
Administrative Secretary