

New Baden Park Board
May 26, 2009

The first meeting of the Park Board of the Village of New Baden, was called to order at 7:34 p.m. at the New Baden Village Park, 1103 East Hanover Street in New Baden, by Mayor David Brandmeyer.

Members – Present, Excused, Absent		Visitors - Present
Dawn Ahner-	Present	David Brandmeyer, Mayor
Calvin Beckmann-	Present	Renee Meinhardt, Park & Rec Director
Melanie Brink-	Present	Bob Nielsen, Village Administrator
Kevin Ogden-	Present	Bill Malina, City Council
Bonnie Zurliene-	Present	Frank Mastromatteo, City Council
Ted Medcalf-	Excused	David Gloeckner, City Council

Following the introductions made by Mayor Brandmeyer, the agenda was discussed and the meeting was turned over to the newly appointed Park Board.

Establish a Monthly Meeting – The monthly meetings for the Park Board will be scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Village City Hall Building. The first meeting will be scheduled for July 14th.

Election of Officers – The following individuals will constitute the Park Board Officers:

Chairman: Kevin Ogden

Vice Chairman: Dawn Ahner

Secretary: Melanie Brink

Request for Village Master Layout of the Park: – A request was made for the master layout of the park. Mr. Nielsen will prepare copies for each Park Board member to be distributed at the next meeting.

Eagle Scout Project: – A local resident, Austin Hilmes, presented a plan for his Eagle Scout project to help enhance the park by adding benches along the walking trail, removing old wooden stations, and adding a swing set for the older children. He will work on a time line for his project completion, cost of materials list, and a more detailed plan. Beckmann agreed to assist Austin with his plan.

Update on new Gazebo –Ahner reported on the new gazebo that is in preliminary planning stages. She will be obtaining prices, material choices, etc. for report at the next meeting.

Update on new Batting Cages –Meinhardt updated the Board on the Cardinal Care grant of \$1500 that was awarded to the Village. This money will be used to purchase batting cages for the Park. The Village will be responsible for coming up with extra monies to cover concrete pads for the cages. This will be on the June 15th Village Board Meeting Agenda.

Question to the Park Board regarding the possibility of spring football – Meinhardt posed the idea of sponsoring a spring football league that would be available for residents. The Board tabled this idea until the next meeting for Meinhardt to obtain more information.

Update to the Park Board on Renee Meinhardt's duties – Meinhardt will bring copies of her required to duties to the next Park Board meeting so the Board is aware of her assigned duties as outlined in her contract. The Park Board will be available to support her with various projects around the park.

Suggestion by the Park Board– A suggestion was made to cover the lights in the pavilions with a small wire cage so they cannot be tampered with.

Job assigned to the Secretary– Brink will create a phone and email sheet for all Park Board members. This will be emailed directly to them. Please be sure to contact someone on the Park Board list if you will be unable to attend a meeting.

For next meeting– All Park Board members are responsible for reading through the Park System Village Code. Come to the next meeting with suggestions, ideas, and updates that may need to be made.

Minutes recorded and respectfully submitted by Melanie Brink, Park Board Member