

**New Baden Park Board**  
**February 9, 2010**

The meeting of the Park Board of the Village of New Baden was called to order at 7:31 p.m. at the New Baden Village Hall, 1 East Hanover Street in New Baden, by Vice President Dawn Ahner.

**Members – Present, Excused, Absent**

**Visitors - Present**

Dawn Ahner-	Present	David Brandmeyer, Mayor
Herschel Beard-	Present	Janet Stubblefield, Pool Manager
Calvin Beckmann-	Present	Representatives from the Dazzlers Team
Melanie Brink-	Present	
Kevin Ogden-	Excused	
Bonnie Zurliene-	Present	
Ted Medcalf-	Excused	

**Approval of January minutes**– The minutes from January were unanimously approved by all present.

**Eagle Scout** – Beckmann reported that he and Austin Hilmes have been in contact regarding the project. Austin will meet with his scout group in March. He will move forward with the project as best he can even with the temporary hold being placed on the addition of park structures.

**Request to host a 5-K** – A Trenton resident requested use of our parks and streets to host a 5-K as a fundraiser for a 10-U Softball team. Concerns from the park board include cost to city, difficulty in finding an officer for safety, and the closing of our streets. At this time, the Park Board is denying the request and will not be forwarding this on to the Village Board of Trustees. Renee will contact the person in charge of the event and forward on this information.

**Family Fun Day** – Renee is working on organizing a Family Fun Day in the Park the Saturday before Mother’s Day.

**Request from NAFTA** – A request was made to use our ball fields for a weekend in May, June, and July for a ball tournament. The Dazzlers would host the tournament and run the concession stand during the abovementioned tournament weekends.

The Park Board is recommending to the Village Board that the NAFTA organization and Dazzlers be given use of the fields on the requested dates under the following guidelines:

1. Bathrooms would be opened and cleaned each morning of the tournament and the Dazzlers would be responsible for the upkeep of the bathrooms during the day hours.
2. The cost to the organization is \$500 per weekend plus 20% of the sales from the concession stand.
3. Field Prep would be done one time per day. The fields would be prepped prior to the first game each day. Any other field maintenance would be done by the hosting team. Any additional cost after the initial field prep would be incurred by the hosting team.

**Pool Passes** – Stubblefield discussed the need to increase the cost of pool passes for the upcoming summer season. She will call around and find out what other cities are charging to help the Board set reasonable fees. The cost of pool passes have only be increased one time in seven years.

Stubblefield has asked about adding a “Discount Rate” to pool passes that would be effective at the middle of summer. This will be put on the March board agenda for a vote.

The Park Board discussed the need for a concession stand and cubbies for children to place their belongings. The Board would also like to see an area that is shaded by the splash pool.

**OSLAD GRANT** – Mayor Brandmeyer discussed the cost of the pool renovations and explained to the Park Board that other park additions will be placed on hold until final costs from the pool are in. The Park Board should be prepared to have their recommendations to the Village Board completed by summer and the bid process is targeted for June 1.

*Fitness Area*- Beard showed pictures of fitness equipment and discussed estimated costs. The Park Board all agreed that these structures will meet the requirements in the OSLAD grant. He will get final price quotes at the beginning of summer since the project is on hold until pool costs are finalized.

**Meeting Time Changed** – The Park Board voted unanimously to change the official time of the meetings to 7:00 beginning in March.

The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Ahner at 9:25 p.m.  
Minutes recorded and respectfully submitted by Melanie Brink, Park Board Member