

New Baden Park Board and Recreation Meeting - September 11, 2012

The meeting of the Park Board of the Village of New Baden was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall by President, Bob Nielsen.

Members present were: Bob Nielsen, Tim Hintz (arrived later), Calvin Beckmann, Nicole Jasper and Jordan Pettibone. Also present was Renee Meinhardt (Parks and Recreation Manager).

The June 19th, 2012 minutes were read and approved.

Guests

Josh Korte (Junior in High School) and Michael Silver (Sophomore in High School) presented their idea to build a BMX dirt bike park. They would do all the work themselves and would try to get dirt donated. Dalton Vannaken (Sophomore) arrived later. Park Board members liked the idea but need to look in to the liability factors.

Master Plan

Renee reported that Zach Peters obtained pricing for the 2 golf driving ranges at \$800 for 2 side by side ranges. Price includes accessories. Dimensions 20 x 10. Renee suggested we could use money from the biathlon at the chili cook off to offset the cost.

Renee will purchase a new line striper for the fields.

Bob was approached by a family of a 6 year old girl in need of an ADA swing. Swing will cost around \$2000.

Jordan compiled data from the survey and presented members with pie charts. We agreed to focus on the top 5 for the park and top 5 for the Civic Center.

Park:

1. Lights needed for the walking path. It had been suggested before by Mayor, Dave Brandmeyer, to remove the Victorian lights from Steepleview and replace them on the walking path.
2. Extend the walking path possibly around the ball fields and the S.E. corner. Also, add distance markers.
3. Finish fixing the lower surfaces on the walking path.
4. Permanent shade over the splash pad in the pool, roughly \$4000. Tables and umbrellas will be available for next year.
5. Water feature in the S.W. area to help with water retention and to beautify the park.
6. Dog park would need a fenced in area and was suggested that this could be high maintenance. Not sure where to locate the dog park.

Civic Center

The Zion Church will still host the Festival of Trees in November and agreed to pay the \$250 fee.

Tumbling and Dance classes held on Thursday nights will pay a 30% fee of their earnings.

Next meeting TBD. Meeting adjourned 8:42pm.

Submitted by Nicole Jasper, Park Board Secretary