

Altoona Parks & Recreation Board
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 28, 2014

The Altoona Parks & Recreation Board met on Wednesday, May 28, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. for the annual park tour. Members present were: Scott Sloan, Phyllis Murphy, Paula Winslow, Amy McAllister, Steve Moyna, Brigid Ernst, Jeremy Boka, Tim Van Wyk, Parks Director, and Jody Evans, Secretary.

Absent was: Shane Isley.
Quorum was declared.

Minutes of the April 23, 2014 meeting were read. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Phyllis Murphy, seconded by Paula Winslow. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors: Bruce Mason, Altoona Campus – van driver, Jane Burns, Adam McRoberts and Chris Lynn.

Jane Burns, with Caring Hands Food Pantry, was on hand to discuss a Walk/Run for the Hungry. They were asking for support of holding the event in Altoona. They are still working on a route, and would like to hold the event October 12, 2014 from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. They would like to end back at Haines Park for a fundraiser and awareness for Caring Hands. A motion was made by Phyllis Murphy, seconded by Paula Winslow. Motion carried. All ayes.

Chris Lynn, with Cap Theater, was in attendance to ask for permission for plays to be held at the Haines Park Stage on August 7th, 8th and 9th 2014. They expect 50 to 100 people to attend. There will be popcorn, pop and candy for sale. A motion was made by Paula Winslow, seconded by Amy McAllister to hold this event. Motion carried. All ayes.

Adam McRoberts was in attendance discussing the Altoona Palooza. This will be their 5th year for the event. They would again like to use the north and south area of Sam Wise Complex and the date this year is August 23, 2014. They have new fun events this year and invite everyone to come out and enjoy. A motion was made by Scott Sloan, seconded by Phyllis Murphy to support this event again this year. Motion carried. All ayes.

Annual park tour.

Park update –

Oakhill Park – This is a very nice addition to the City.

Community Garden – They are working on the fencing around the plots. Nice area to have this garden located. All spots are now full. Wee Ball area is well maintained and progress on building the Remote Control area is moving along nicely.

Phoenix Park is looking good.

Dog Park – Looks good, grass looks good. There are still complaints that there should be shade in the small dog area.

Lions Park – The fence in the ball diamonds is in need of repairs.

Pirates Cove – Looks great. What a nice park this has become.

Sam Wise Youth Complex was busy with a lot of kids practicing. The airplane will be painted this summer.

Tuscany Pond – Took a quick tour down around the area.

Falcon Ridge Pocket Park – Used a lot and looks like a nice addition to that area.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Scott Sloan, seconded by Phyllis Murphy, at 7:15 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 25, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Enabling Garden.