

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
Wednesday, September 7, 2016**

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of the August 3, 2016 Minutes**
- 3. Dedicating the Mead Shelter after Jeff Bahling**
- 4. Director's report**
- 5. Adjournment**

1. Roll Call

Present: Freckmann, Glodosky, Hall, Kirsch, McDonald, Ald. Oberstadt, Sorenson, Okonek, Ald. Slowinski

Excused: Smith, Ald. McComb,

Also Present: Director Tom Schrader

2. Approval of the August 3, 2016 Minutes

Motion by Hall, seconded by Ald. Slowinski, to approve the August 3, 2016 minutes and place them on file.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.

3. Dedicating the Mead Shelter after Jeff Bahling

Director Schrader stated that Jeff Bahling was a member of the Board of Park Commissions for a number of years and was President at the time of his passing. Dedicating the Mead Shelter after Jeff would be honoring him for his work in the city's park system. Director Schrader said he's worked with Jeff for over 20 years and this was the last project he was working on for the parks. Rick Rettler of the Rettler Corporation, Jeff's former employer will be working on the landscaping plan of the Mead Shelter and obtaining donations to complete the project in Jeff's honor. President Okonek spoke with Peggy Bahling and she was in agreement to the dedication in Jeff's name.

Motion by McDonald, seconded by Ald. Oberstadt, to dedicate the Mead Shelter after Jeff Bahling.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.

4. Director's report

Director Schrader reported

- K.B. Willett Arena opens this Saturday, Sept. 10
- Events in the park over the Sept 10-11 weekend: Gus Macker at Pfiffner, Spud Bowl at Goerke, Hope Walk at Zenoff.
- Art-in-the-Park will be held in Pfiffner now Sept. 17
- The Goerke service road and Willett Arena entrance sidewalks will be repaved later this month

- The Finance Committee will be meeting this Monday to start the review of capital improvements from the 6 million dollars of requests
- Commissioner Liz McDonald asked about sending thank you notes KI Mobility and Prime Water Anglers for the work on the handicap accessible pier in Bukolt Park. KI Mobility for their donation of money to fund the work and the Prime Water Anglers for doing the work
- Forestry staff have cleared all street signs for a two block radius around each public and private schools.
- Paul Ziemann, our City Arborist, is working on a video regarding Dutch elm disease
- CVMIC our insurance carrier has toured three playground sets: KASH, Pfiffner and Bukolt. KASH has a few minor notes with Pfiffner and Bukolt sets being the oldest sets having issues to correct/replace. Pfiffner is scheduled for replacement in 2018 and we may want to consider Bukolt too.
- Will be having a demonstration of a wood chip blower. Summer staff can't keep up with mulching all parking lots and playgrounds in a timely fashion. Just finished mulching for the season. A wood chip blower would save much needed time and labor.

Commissioner McDonald asked if bike racks are in capital improvement because more are needed around the city.

Commissioner Hall thanked the City for cutting the grass in the dog park and for doing maintenance on the trails in the park.

5. Adjournment

Motion by McDonald, seconded by Glodosky, to adjourn the meeting at 6:45p.m.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.