

The Minutes for the Park Board Meeting held on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Center.

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Mark Dickerson opened the Park Board Meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Present: Jean Garascia, Sally Wahlbrink, Tina Swindle, Jane Davis, Judy Mantych and Mark Dickerson;  
Director of Parks & Recreation

Absent: Kathy Endorf, Alease Dailes, Dave Cross and Alderman Don Merz

A discussion was held concerning some changes to the sign at Klein Park. We were instructed on different changes we can make to present our messages. The company e-mailed the changes to Craig but I haven't seen them yet. They made a special message to show us other options on programming. The new message is for swim team registration so be watching for it. A discussion followed. Martha Snead mentioned Craig told her about it. She went on to say we've had a lot of calls lately from people who have seen the sign.

Mark Dickerson mentioned there still isn't any word on the grant for the new bus and probably won't be until the Federal Government does their budget.

Mark mentioned tearing up the carpeting on Monday and we still have to get some glue up. Unfortunately the glue was really thick so we had to bring in a different machine to get it off the floor so the new carpet will lay properly. Luckily the company we're working with has been very nice. They gave us their equipment to use at no cost. Mark mentioned half the gym is closed because the furniture has been moved to the gym. A discussion followed. Martha mentioned this has been easier than when the locker room floors were done and Mark agreed.

Mark reported the brochures have been delivered and open registration is in progress. A discussion followed.

Mark reminded the Park Board members the Housing Fair is on Wednesday, March 27th. We'll be closed on Friday, March 29th. The Easter Egg Hunt/Arbor Day is on Saturday, March 30th. The Spring Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th. If anyone would be available to help with the Tournament you'll need to be here by 4:30 p.m. Mark also mentioned the Beautification Day is on Saturday, April 27th.

Mark mentioned we are still working on the stone planter walls by the sign out front. A discussion followed on what is posted on the sign.

Mark stated we'll do field reservations if we have any groups interested. I think last year we had two teams looking for practice time.

Martha mentioned Amy is holding a free Tennis/Karate demonstration on Friday, March 22nd to let the kids meet the instructors. We are finally getting a good response for the Karate class. One of the things she did differently is she is charging for the child and letting the parent attend for free so it's more of a family thing. Martha also mentioned she is planning some pretty big changes for the swim lesson program. We are also running into scheduling problems for the summer swim team schedule since the schools are starting back earlier. We are planning on holding some of our social events in August. This way the kids will still have something to do in August and it won't be as hectic while the meets are going on. We are also going to coordinate the adult pool nights around the Saturday morning swim meets because the kids would make it to

the meets but the parents that were supposed to work wouldn't make it because they partied too much the night before at the Rec Center. A discussion followed.

Jane Davis suggested e-mailing the Park Board Minutes instead of mailing them. A discussion followed and Mark had the Park Board members write down their e-mail addresses. There was also mention of the City working on getting Face Book and Twitter.

Jean Garascia asked what happened with the Basketball League and Mark reported we ended up getting 5 or 6 kids. We had a lot of calls with people really interested in participating but they didn't come in. Out of the few that paid, 3 or 4 transferred to Jennings and 2 just got their money back. Jean asked if they were interested until they found out how expensive it was and Mark said not really. A discussion followed on how Jennings gets a lot of enrollment at \$50.00 per child and our resident's income is probably the same or a little lower. Martha mentioned when the people called in they were mainly interested in when they would practice and where the games would be held and Jennings wouldn't answer us. A discussion followed concerning lack of funds, and short notice for the start of the league as well as our ability to accept charge or debit cards. Mark stated a lot of times when they find out we don't take plastic they say they will come back and don't. A discussion followed. Jean also mentioned there isn't anything in the brochure stating when the sand volleyball court can be used. It sounds like it's only available for the league. Jean mentioned bringing it up when it was in the brochure last year and it's the same this year. Mark said we will make sure it gets changed for the summer brochure that will go out in May. Mark stated it will be available whenever the Recreation Center is open unless we're running a league. A discussion followed.

The Park Board meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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Mark Dickerson, Acting Chairman

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The next Park Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Please notify the Recreation Center staff by calling 867-0700 if you are unable to attend.

**Bellefontaine Neighbors  
Recreation Center Daily**

Date: March 2013

Weight Room	\$516.00
Gym Classes	\$1,268.50
Racquetball	\$113.00
Swim Fees	\$1,325.00
Swim Lessons	\$5,297.00
Room Reservations	\$1,965.00
Park Reservations	\$400.00
Swim Team	\$258.00
Day Camp	\$0.00
Snack Bar	\$544.00
Gym User Fee	\$262.00
I.D. Card/Passes	\$120.00
Special Events	\$1,474.00
Miscellaneous	\$767.00
Miniature Golf	
Adult Pool Party	
Total	\$14,309.50

**Bellefontaine Neighbors  
Recreation Center Participation**

**March 2013**

Gameroom:	22
Room # 101:	583
Room # 109:	293
Swimmers:	1,216
Gym Use:	429
Racquetball	
# of hours:	20
# of players:	78
Weight Room:	741
<b>Total Participation:</b>	<b>3,382</b>

**City of Bellefontaine Neighbors  
Transportation Service Monthly Report  
March 2013**

Medical Appointments	38
Grocery Shopping ( Schnucks, Aldi's, Shop n Save & Riverview Dairy)	40
Banking -US Bank, Regions & Commerce	3
Target/Family Dollar / K-Mart	9
Pharmacy Trips	4
Hair Appointments (Bissell, Masters Touch)	16
Recreation Center (Meetings & Classes)	23
Cujino's (3/4)	5
Post Office	3
Taxes	5
Nursing Home Visits	5
Northside Christian Dining Center	5
Jamestown (3/25)	2
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Total Participation	158
Total Number of Residents	33
Total Donations	\$50.00