

Village of Bellaire

PARKS COMMITTEE

Trish Drollinger, Chairman

Helen Schuckel

Brent Nelson

MEETING MINUTES

April 5, 2009

10:00 a.m.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Dewey called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.
2. **Roll Call Attendance**
 - Present:** Chairman Trish Drollinger, Helen Schuckel & Brent Nelson
 - Absent:** N/A
 - Staff Present:** Ken Stead, Janet Koch
 - Also Present:** N/A
3. **Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was approved with the addition of the water considerations (7.c).
Motion by Schuckel, seconded by Nelson, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes were approved.
Motion by Nelson, seconded by Schuckel, to approve the minutes of January 20, 2010 as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.
5. **Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None presented.
6. **Old Business**
 - a) Craven Park Campground Caretaker Applications – the committee reviewed 27 applications for the caretaker position and selected five people to interview. Janet Koch will contact the five people selected and make interview appointments beginning at 10:00 a.m. on April 12, 2010 at 20 minute intervals.
 - b) Lifeguard applications – Janet Koch told the committee that no lifeguard applications had come into the office to date.
7. **New Business**
 - a) **Advertising for Craven Park campground** – Janet Koch said a letter from a gentleman who runs a website listing Michigan campgrounds (www.camping-n-more-in-michigan.com). For an annual fee of \$50 he will add a webpage to his site that includes photos, a list of Craven Park amenities, directions to the campground, etc. For \$25 annually he'll add a link to our campground page on the village's website. For no cost he'll add campground contact information to his site.

Janet Koch said she'd emailed him, asking for the number of unique visitors a month to his site, but had received no answer. After a short discussion it was decided to have Craven Park's contact information added at no cost to the village.

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- b) **Repainting Craven Park softball dugouts** - Katie Verellen (coach of the Bellaire HS varsity softball team) contacted the village to ask if they can repaint the softball dugouts at the Craven Park ball field.

The committee approved of the idea and agreed to supply the paint. Ken Stead said the DPW might have some paint already.

Motion by Schuckel, seconded by Nelson, to let the girls softball team paint the dugouts. Motion carried by voice vote.

- c) **Craven Park water availability** – The committee discussed how to get water to the ball fields for the purpose of keeping dust down. Ken Stead said he would turn on the water for watering the fields, but that he would have to turn it off at 4:00 pm if there was any risk of the temperature dropping below freezing t night. He agreed to coordinate with the softball and baseball coaches to try and have water for wetting the fields available when it is needed.

It was agreed that until a campground caretaker is living at the campground, the bathrooms will not be opened unless someone agrees to supervise and lock the bathrooms. This includes days when a ball game is scheduled.

8. Communications/Informational: None presented.

9. Member/Public Comment

Ken Stead gave an update on the triangle. He is waiting for Miss Dig before the DPW starts any water service changes. He hopes to get the irrigation in by the end of the week.

10. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Compiled by Janet Koch, Clerk
Minutes Subject to Approval

Approved: _____

Date: _____