

**MINUTES
PARK & TREE BOARD MEETING**

APRIL 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Matt Dickhausen at 12:00 p.m. Members present were Neil Herzberg, Nancy Ellis, and John Wimmer. Len Gilmore, Jonathan Truwe, and Nancy Ellis were absent. Advisory Members present were Ron Mergen, Public Works Director; Renee Eckerly, City Administrator; and Lee Schleper, Maintenance Worker. Also present was Jennifer Welling, Administrative Assistant/Zoning Specialist.

Motion was made by Herzberg to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2016 Park & Tree Board meeting. Seconded by Ellis and unanimously carried.

MEMBER VACANCY

Two names were suggested; Mary Kieble and Jean Anderson. It was further suggested to not be in a hurry to fill the vacancies and try and identify another person or two.

GAZEBO PARK SPLASH PAD FUND RAISER

Members were informed that the Liquor Board is diligently planning the Splash Pad Fundraiser. Welling was asked to speak on the fundraiser. Welling explained that Park & Tree Board members are asked to sell advanced tickets at \$15.00 each. The event is April 28, 2016 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the American Legion. There will be over 75 different wines, beer, and spirits available to taste. Checks are to be written out to the City of Paynesville - Splash Pad with the money and unsold tickets turned into City Hall or the Liquor Store. It was reported that the Board will need to assist with set up at 5:00 p.m. and with clean up. It was also noted that each member will be responsible for the tickets they receive and the money must balance with the tickets sold and/or turned back in. Posters are available for all members to post in the community. It was reported that the fundraising efforts have reached \$12,800.00 with a goal of \$20,000.00.

GAZEBO PARK – MEMORIAL BENCHES

It was noted the benches we have are placed beside the existing flag pole. The area between the gazebo and the flag pole would work for a memorial area with room for the benches and an area for plaques, etc. A concept was discussed with a brim and vertical concrete pad to display items such as plaques.

COMMUNITY PARK

Dickhausen proposed a jungle gym similar to the one at Veterans Park, except constructed with the Master Mark decking to improve aesthetics. It was noted that the funds are mostly depleted with the installation of the Ten Spin and Swing Set.

VETERANS PARK

It was reported that the shelter is booked almost every weekend through July. It was also discussed that the boat landing dock is an aged piece of equipment and will need to be replaced in a year or two.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.