

BRAINERD PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
Regular Park Board Meeting
November 24, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.
City Hall Conference Room

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the
Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present were Vice-President Dale Parks, Tim Boeder, Dan Hegstad, Holly Holm, City Council Liaison Gabe Johnson and Park Director Tony Sailer. Jackie Burkey was noted absent.

**MOVED AND SECONDED BY HOLM AND BOEDER,
DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED**

- A. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held October 27, 2015**
- B. Approval of the disbursements for the month of November 2015**

OLD BUSINESS

A. Downhill Derby

Mr. Sailer reported that Nisswa Parks and Recreation and the Nisswa Chamber opted against taking the derby cars, and a Moorhead man who initially expressed interest in the cars as a class project has not responded to e-mails. The cars can either be donated to another governmental agency, sold or scrapped. Due to declining participation and the staff time required to offer it, Ms. Holm made a motion to disband the Downhill Derby events. Mr. Hegstad seconded and board approval was unanimous. In other board action, Ms. Holm made a motion directing Mr. Sailer to contact Brainerd High School, Forestview Middle School, Central Lakes College and other local schools to determine if any of them might be interested in acquiring the derby cars. Mr. Hegstad seconded and board approval was unanimous. Board members concurred they would rather donate the cars than see them scrapped.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Rotary Park and Buster Park

Mr. Hegstad presented an idea to build a hill at a park for children to play on, and discussed sign placement at Rotary and Buster parks. He reported that Rotary Park has been designated the Rotary Club's Centennial Project in recognition of the local club's 100th birthday in 2020 or 2021.

B. Mills Field Vandalism

Vandalism to the Mills Field facility included two broken windows, cut screens, an overhead trap door in the press box was damaged and the donor plaque was torn off the grandstand but left behind. Staff will make repairs this fall or early spring. Costs are expected to be \$200-\$250.

C. State Softball Tournaments

The department will host two one-day state tournaments in 2016 for Women's and Masters divisions.

D. Fountain Donation

The Brainerd Lakes Area Women of Today donated \$500 toward the Gregory Park fountain project from concession proceeds from the Great Pumpkin Festival. Fund raising letters will be sent out to business and organizations in December, and the Brainerd Dispatch has been contacted.

PUBLIC FORUM

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Metal dugout roofs were installed at Mills Field in October.
- The Jaycees Park playground equipment installation was completed in early November.
- Staff is interviewing and hiring warming house attendants.
- The deadline to register for the Pond Hockey leagues is Dec. 18.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Boeder made a motion at adjourn at 4:43 p.m. Ms. Holm seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kim Finch".

Kim Finch, Administrative Specialist