

**BRAINERD PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Regular Park Board Meeting  
Monday, October 26, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.  
Brainerd City Hall Conference Room

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Approval of Consent Calendar**

(All matters listed in this form are considered routine by the board and will be enacted by one motion.)

- A. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held September 28, 2009, as distributed
- B. Approval of the disbursements for the month of October 2009

**III. Old Business**

- A. 2010 Budget Update

**IV. New Business**

- A. Haapajoki Softball Tournament
- B. Emerald Ash Borer

**V. Director's Report**

**VI. Public Forum**

**VII. Additions to Agenda**

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**Regular Park Board Meeting**  
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Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the  
Parks and Recreation Board was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Present were Chairman Marty Johnson, Barb Egan, Howard "Jiggs" Blanck, Greg Roberts, Brian Phelps and Park Director Wayne Mooney. City Council Liaison Anne Nelson Fisher was absent.

**MOVED AND SECONDED BY BLANCK AND ROBERTS,**  
**DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED**

- A. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held September 28, 2009**
- B. Approval of the disbursements for the month of October 2009**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. 2010 Budget Update**

Director Mooney reported that City Council moved \$60,000 from the Parks Department to the general unallocated budget for the unemployment insurance costs related to the arena layoffs. Council has not yet discussed the Board's other request regarding campground revenue. The next budget meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2009.

Mr. Blanck wanted to discuss the Maintenance Supervisor's PERA Phased Retirement Option and half-time status. He asked if the costs of the acting supervisor wage increase was reflected in the proposed 2010 budget numbers, and not just the salary savings the department will realize. Following a brief discussion, Mr. Phelps reiterated that the Board needed to be sure the acting supervisor differential is included in the proposed budget. Director Mooney indicated that the proposed budget numbers reflect the net change due to the supervisor's Phased Retirement Option.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Haapajoki Softball Tournament**

Eryk Haapajoki requested July 9-11, 2010 for the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Brainerd Men's Invitational Softball Tournament. There are no conflicts with department programs or events on the adult softball fields. Staff recommends approval of the request. Motion to approve by Mr. Phelps; seconded by Ms. Egan. Board approval was unanimous.

**B. Emerald Ash Borer**

Director Mooney stated that he and Bonnie Muzik recently attended tree seminars. The industry focus is currently on the Emerald Ash Borer that has been discovered in St. Paul. Experts feel that it will wipe out all ash trees, however there are preventative treatments available. The Board asked that the department website link to current information about the spread of the Emerald Ash Borer, as well as provide preventative information to the public.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Mooney touched briefly on the status of the Trailside Park grant, and also on the storm water pond at Memorial Park.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Mr. Blanck asked if the Brainerd Northside Neighborhood Association (BNNA) had a table at the Pumpkinfest, which they did. He asked if there was anything the department could do to assist the group with things like the Pumpkinfest, since they put any funds they make back into Gregory Park. There were no comments, other than the \$50 Pumpkinfest vendor fee is waived for BNNA.

## **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

## **NEXT MEETING**

Monday, November 30, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made at 4:05 p.m. by Mr. Phelps. Mr. Blanck seconded.

Respectfully submitted,



Kim Finch, Administrative Specialist