

**CITY OF RUSHVILLE PARKS & RECREATION MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2005**  
**6:30 P.M.**

- Call to Order:** The Parks and Recreation Board met on the above date and time at the Booker T. Washington Community Center, 525 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Rushville. President Denny Corn called the meeting to order. Members present were Tim Shuppert, Jack Harmon and new board members David Hasecuster and Jan Violes. Wilma Jo Kile was absent. Others present were Parks Director Danny Mathews, Attorney Julie Newhouse and Secretary Carla Sharpe.
- Minutes:** Minutes of January 13, 2005 was presented for approval. Shuppert moved to approve January 13 minutes as presented. Harmon seconded. Motion carried. Minutes approved.
- Reports:** Mathews welcomed David Hasecuster and Jan Voiles as new board members.
- \* Stated he hired Chris Philpot who filled Ed's position. He is thrilled to have him.
- \* Reminded all of the Valentines Dance at BRMS this Friday night from 6-8. He would appreciate any support. Is a fun time and chaperones are needed.
- \* Shared with the board that he has been in contact with BC Water Management. At the present we have a Muratic acid area at the pool with 5-55 gallon barrels in it. He and his staff have to go into this confined area to move the pump from one barrel to another. Going into this area to change the barrel once every two weeks it takes your breath away. He wears a mask but feels it is time to do something different.
- BC Water Management has introduced a new product called "Clear Blue" that works like the Muratic acid and chlorine tablets. They will bring a tank in that will never have to be changed. There are no gas fumes. It will be delivered in bulk. They come and pump in what we need and the barrels never have to be changed.
- For safety reasons he feels this is something he would like to put in at the pool. This runs around \$500 for a 160 gallon drum. He feels it will be worth while to invest in this. This way no one touches the chemicals.
- They can give references of facilities that have changed over to this product. There is a quicker recovery. Once you backfill and kick system back on it is immediate recovery.
- It was decided to have a representative come to next meeting and explain the product to the board and give a presentation.
- Harmon stated he would like to compare costs from the old to the new.
- Mathews assured Harmon he will look up the cost and have the figures for him at the next meeting.
- Corn questioned the appropriations sheet for Booker T. Sharpe nor Mathews had the answers and was advised to see Debbie, Accounts Payable Clerk at City Hall.
- Claims:** Reviewed prior to meeting by Harmon and Shuppert. Harmon moved to approve the claims for the month. Shuppert seconded. Motion carried. Claims approved for the month.
- Unfinished Business:** Review Quotes for Cleaning at Booker T. –
- 1) Like-It Services - \$825.00 per month
  - 2) Linda Wildey - \$775.00 per month
  - 3) Gilliam Janitorial – Declined
  - 4) N & S Cleaning – Declined
  - 5) The Office Cleaner – Never returned call
  - 6) Sherry Nickel – was interested but said her quote would be too high to add on Workman's Comp.
- Corn moved to table the quotes since they were so high and stated that Mathews has agreed to clean the building for the next 6 months.
- Mathews stated that he has had a Community Service worker and that he has done a great job for Booker T. He has cleaned the kitchen oven and plans to put him to work more yet this week.
- Mathews stated he will keep the building clean due to the rentals and that he hopes the ladies downstairs will continue to clean their areas.

Mathews stated that Sharpe is taking care of scheduling the building and hands out the keys and that he will maintain the rest.

Corn questioned putting rip-rap on the hill at Booker T. Mathews stated he will try to take care of it this year. Hopefully get some community service to help out.

Corn then questioned the cracks in the pool and when that was going to be taken care of.

Mathews stated that his last conversation with Quality Coating was they will call us in March once the weather permits. We are first on their list for repair.

Shuppert questioned the parking situation at Booker T.

Mathews stated that if a big party is scheduled he's sure they fill the streets.

Shuppert stated he hopes it doesn't restrict the public's use due to lack of parking.

Shuppert questioned who owned the lot across the street.

Mathews stated he wasn't sure but would check on that.

**New Business:**

Mathews shared with the board that there is a problem with the heating at Booker T. Clifford Marlatt has given him a quote of \$3,810.00 to insulate the building, change the trunk line around in the basement to increase the air flow and do duct work.

Mathews stated the foyer is very cold; they burn up in the head start part. The ducts are run wrong. There is no insulation in the attic at all. Heat ducts are not insulated.

Mathew's feels this work by Marlatt will resolve the problem and should cut down on the \$827 gas bill.

Mathews stated that the Mayor feels we can do the insulation work ourselves to cut down on some of the cost.

Corn asked where the money will come from to pay this cost.

Corn suggested presenting this to the Council.

Newhouse suggested getting 2-3 more quotes.

Review Master Plan – The Master Plan was discussed. Sharpe shared with the board that our 5 Year Master Plan expires at the end of this year. A new one has to be drawn up and submitted to the DNR by June 1<sup>st</sup> of 2006.

While reviewing the priority list the board was proud of the list of items that had already accomplished.

Shuppert stated he wished the Parks Board had more responsibility such as hiring and firing of the Parks Director.

Voiles stated she thinks it's fantastic what has been accomplished the past 4 years.

Sharpe will make copies of the sample Master Plan and the planning guide and get to the board members.

There being no further business, Harmon moved to adjourn. Shuppert seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

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ATTEST:

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CARLA SHARPE, SECRETARY