Town of Newburgh
Parks Board
Minutes February 4, 2016

Members Present:
Mrs. Wilsbacher, Matt Timmel, Kevin Reine, Ron Keller, Mrs. Kavanaugh,

Administrative Present: Stacie Krieger, Town Council Liaison; Christy Powell, Town Manager; Kristen Head, Attorney

Members Absent:
None

Citizens Present:
Carol Schaefer and Amber Kelly with HNI, Anthony Moffett with Tru Green, Gerald & Patty Bowser

Minutes:
Mrs. Kavanaugh made a motion to approve the minutes from January's meeting.
Kevin Reine seconded and the motion carried.

New Business:

Carol Schaefer with HNI presented her request for parks property for 2016.

Wine Art and Jazz Festival – Old Lock and Dam May 20 and 21st.
Mrs. Schaefer stated the tents will be up Wednesday and Thursday for set up. They will close the street Friday. Saturday is the event and Sunday they will take everything down.

Mrs. Wilsbacher stated last year they got some complaints about closing the trail. The Parks Board was trying to resolve the issue but couldn't find a way to go behind the building.

Mrs. Schaefer stated they will make sure there is a pathway. The street will be closed and the tent flaps will be open. They can make an alley with the construction fencing.

Mrs. Wilsbacher made a motion to approve Mrs. Schaefer's request for the Lock and Dam Park on May 20 – 21st with a waiver of fee.

Kevin Reine seconded and the motion carried.

Fourth of July Fireworks – July 2nd with a back-up date July 3rd
Mrs. Schaefer stated they will close the street at 5pm. She wants to do a better job with social media in case they need to communicate information due to inclement weather or other issues. They have new speakers so people can hear all the way down to Town Hall.

Mrs. Wilsbacher made a motion to approve her request for use of the riverfront for the Fourth of July fireworks.
Mrs. Kavanaugh seconded and the motion carried.

Free Family Movie Nights
Amber Kelly with HNI stated they will have four free family movies at Lou Dennis Park this year:

July 23rd – Pool Party from 5:00pm-8:00pm (no waiver requested for pool rental)
Live Music 5:00pm-7:30pm then 7:30pm-8:30pm by soccer field
Movie 'Honey I Shrunk the Kids' at 8:30pm

August 20th – Live Music 7-8
Movie 'Minions' 8:00pm

Sept. 17th - Live Music 7-8
Movie 'Inside Out' 8:00pm

Oct 22nd - Harvest Fest 3pm – 6pm (no waiver requested for Shelter rental)
Food trucks invited – will need letter from Parks Board for the Health Department.
Live Music 3-7
Movie "Star Wars –'The Force Awakens'

Amber stated they have a sponsor for a bigger screen. They will also have a new projector and new speakers.

Mrs. Wilsbacher stated the pool has a maximum of 200 people. Ms. Kelly didn't think it would be a problem.

Mrs. Kavanaugh made a motion to approve the dates requested for the Community Park.
Mrs. Wilsbacher seconded and the; motion carried.

Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:
Patty Bowser requested to sell concessions at the pool for Summer 2016. She would like to sell hot dogs, nachos, ice cream, and candy at reasonable prices. She will use Gerald's account with Farm Boy and have her 14 year old grandson help out.

Mrs. Wilsbacher asked her to make sure he has his work permit.

Mrs. Bowser stated they will possibly give away hot dogs for the grand opening of the pool.

Attorney Head stated she will get a contract together.

Christy Powell stated this will be run independently just like Cleo's came in last year. All profit / loss / liability / health department requirements etc. will be their responsibility.

Mrs. Kavanaugh made a motion to approve Patty Bowser to run concession stand independently from the town and required no rent to be paid to the Town of Newburgh.

Kevin Reine seconded and the motion carried.

The Board held some discussion on how to sell passes this year because of the issue of non- residents vs. residents. They decided to leave it as it is. Selling temporary passes at the pool then having Meg Dill, Admin for the town confirm their residency.

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Anthony Moffett with Tru Green made a presentation about the Emerald Ash Borer which has been found in the area and is decimating Ash trees and mentioned he did not notice a plan to address in our long term parks plan. There was discussion of how to identify ash trees and how to resolve the issue once infested. He stated he has

been working with the City of Evansville and the Vanderburgh County Purdue Extension office to stop the spread of the infestation.

Mrs. Wilsbacher asked if once the tree was infested if it needs to come down.

Anthony Moffett stated if the tree is 75% or more infested the tree is gone. He explained how to identify the D-shaped hole, and peeling back the bark to expose the serpentine galleries.

Stacie Krieger asked if this was a preventative or a treatment.

Mr. Moffitt stated it is both. It is a trunk injection with a 95% success rate.

Mrs. Wilsbacher asked if these bugs are becoming resistant.

Mr. Moffitt stated there is no evidence showing that. They have seen a rare case where the bugs attacked a different species of tree but it was once instance and the tree was a relative of the Ash. He offered to take an inventory of Ash trees in the town limits and report back to the Parks Board with his recommendations. He also presented an "adopt a tree' program that has been very successful.

Mr. Keller asked what the cost of treating a tree is.

Mr. Moffitt stated depending on the size of the tree it could cost anywhere from $50 – 300 per tree.

Mrs. Wilsbacher made a motion to allow Mr. Moffitt to take an inventory of Ash Trees in the town limits of Newburgh.

Mr. Keller seconded and the motion carried.

REPORTS:

Town Council Liaison:

No report

Pool Report:

Gerald Bowser stated he has seen the list of repairs needed at the pool and he is working on them. He has replaced 2 toilets, fixed soap dispensers. He has re plumbed the showers. The kiddie pool will be operational this year. He would like to replace the guard chairs.

Mrs. Wilsbacher listed the salaries for employees and there was discussion about lowering them versus keeping them the same.

Christy Powell recommended taking them to the Personnel Committee for review.

Mrs. Wilsbacher presented the entry fee for the pool.

2 and under – free
Children 3-15 $3
Ages 16-54 $6
Seniors 55 or older $2

Mrs. Kavanaugh made a motion to lower the 16-54 tier to $5.
Mrs. Wilsbacher seconded and the motion carried.

Mrs. Wilsbacher made a motion to keep the family passes at $125 a season for resident and $175 a season for non-resident

Kevin Reine seconded and the motion carried.

Mrs. Wilsbacher made a motion to keep the single person season pass at Resident $50 and non-=resident $75
Mrs. Kavanaugh seconded and the motion carried.

Mrs. Wilsbacher made a motion to keep pool rentals the same:

RESIDENT: 50 people or less at $175 for min 2 hours
51+ people at $190 for min 2 hours
$50 for each additional hour

NON-RESIDENT: 50 people or less at $200 for min 2 hours
51+ people at $220 for min 2 hours
$70 for each additional hour.

Concessions available upon request.

Mrs. Kavanaugh seconded and the motion carried.

Mrs. Wilsbacher made a motion to keep Shelter House Rental the same at $50 per day. Their policy will also stay the same for inclement weather. If a renter cannot use the shelter on the day they reserved because of inclement weather they can reserve another date at no cost.

Kevin Reine seconded and the motion carried.

There was discussion about the park looking great except needing the rest of the grills installed.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE – None

RIVERTOWN TRAIL
Christy Powell stated they are working on adding a pedestrian bridge over the stream between Mulzers and the William's property. She has a quarterly report meeting with the MPO Tuesday February 9th, 2016 to discuss funding.

RIVERTOWN TRAIL 5K
Kevin Reine stated he had talked with Karen Jones from Toyota about Sponsorships. They had a big audit so there was not meeting. He will let everyone know if he finds out before the next meeting. – Kevin Reine requested contact information for Board Members. Christy Powell stated she would send that to him.

PARK AREA REPORTS
Lou Dennis – Ron Keller sent the Town Manager a picture of the sliver of land adjacent to the entrance to the park being used by neighbors to store their garbage cans. Christy Powell stated she will get with Gerald on how to handle and report back. He also stated he asked his daughter about painting the Fortress of Fun but she thought the Parks Board would rather use someone from Warrick County. There were some broken branches down. Water standing around some of the playground equipment. Broken BBQ Housing and a broken swing. One of the doors was unlocked which could pose a safety issue.

Mrs. Wilsbacher stated she put a call into Castle High School in October and no one has gotten back to her. So if Mr. Keller's daughter would be willing to have her students do the painting that would be great and for her to go ahead and paint it.

Old Lock and Dam Park – Matt Timmel reported that they need to get the mud off the boat ramp. The boat dock is being repaired as weather permits.

Lockmaster Cottages – Mr. Reine reported that the cottages look clean and the new lights help a lot.

IHOP – Mrs. Kavanaugh discussed the large sink hole. Christy Powell let her know the pit should be barricaded and the street crew is addressing with fill dirt. Upon further negotiations with the Army Corp they will ask for help in excavating and correcting the issue.

Matt Timmel made a motion to adjourn.
Mrs. Kavanaugh seconded and the motion carried.

Next Meeting will be March 3rd, 2016 at 6pm.

Mary Ann Wilsbacher
Chair

Recorder