

Parks Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Present: Tim Britain, Lou Conti, Dan Knight, Jack Landon, Stephen E. Podewell.

Guests Present: Dick Bennett (Ranger), Lee Stoneburner (Ranger), Newt Covault, Jim Endres, Ron Feniger, Dawn Potter Williams.

I. Call to Order - Jack. Meeting started promptly at 6:00 p.m.

II. Modifications to Agenda – No modifications. Approved by All.

III. Minutes from April 26, 2011 Meeting. Tim made a motion to approve. Dan seconded it. All in favor. Approved.

IV. Financial Report: Same as last reported by Alamo Township Board Regular.

V. Rangers Report:

Ranger Dick: Recently there have been many storms. Dick picked up numerous limbs and debris off of the trails. The firepit was left unattended one early evening, but was taken care of by an Alamo Baseball person. Weed maintenance is needed in Alamo Township Park in some locations. The NW Quadrant is currently under water. A couple of trees have fallen across closed 5th Street. Lee donated some electrolyte for the four wheeler battery.

VI. Old & New Business:

A. 2011 Classic Car Show:

Alamo's 2011 Classics in the Park (Car, Truck, Bike, and Tractor Show) will be held on Saturday, June 25, 2011. Registration will held 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Pancake Breakfast will be between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Stephen will be at the gate at 6:00 a.m. Jack, Lou, and Dick will be there at 7:00 a.m. Dan and Tim won't be able to attend.

B. 5th Street Status: WMU Students' capstone project report was mentioned. Also, Lou made a motion requesting that the Alamo Township Board ~~refund~~ to unrestrict \$500 that the Parks Board allocated for \$500 deck removal on 5th Street back to restricted fund in the Parks Board account. Stephen seconded the motion. All in favor. Approved.

C. Master Plan: To be discussed during the July 2011 meeting, so that we can discuss funding. Also, the Parks Board recommends that the playground surface be improved by the Alamo Township Board.

D. Other: Work Day Projects. Jack stated that we need to assemble a list. A few of the upcoming projects include the following: trail maintenance, cutting trees that have fallen across 5th Street, wilderness bridge removal, and trout structure maintenance. Perhaps opening up the canopy will help. We will have Trout Unlimited personnel there to recommend. We will be getting new dumpsters at Alamo Township Park.

Lou spoke with Mike Lampen about paying the electric bill. Little League to cover the \$400-\$500 per year. We'll work this out in the next month. The Alamo Township Board voted to pay the Park's electric bill. Clarification from Alamo Township Board is needed.

A newsletter is coming out very soon. Lou is looking for suggestions. Patriots' Pavilion open, car show, etc. June 4, 2011 the Pavilion is rented. The 11th of June will be the Parks work day.

September 11, 2011 there will be the Patriots' Pavilion Ceremony at 1:00 p.m. Lou will be contacting State Representatives and Senators. The County Commissioner will be there. Lou will be heading all of this up.

Lou requested that we have an ice rink up for Winterfest 2012.

It was stated that an area ~~will~~ may be set aside for the Boy Scouts. This will be included in the Five Year Plan.

VII. Citizen Comments:

Lee requested a copy of the donation list for picnic tables from the Alamo Foundation.

VIII. Adjourn: Stephen made a motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Dan seconded it. All in Favor. Approved. Respectfully submitted this 7th day of May, 2011.

Stephen E. Podewell