

## Minutes Biddle Memorial Park January 2012

In Attendance: Roger Myers President, John Barker Member, Joe Bilby Member, David Pitts Member, Theda Anderson Secretary, Walt Castor Superintendent, and Mike Webster Hurricanes Travel Baseball League.

Walt did take a tree down and has not been able to remove it because of the weather. There are ruts in the circle from someone doing donuts in the yard.

Theda sent a thank you note to Barton Grinstead for his generous donation.

The bills were reviewed. It appears the lights have been on in the pavilion and restrooms. Treasurer's Report was reviewed. We may have a new sign purchaser, Wanda Lyons.

The minutes were reviewed and a correction was made that the Biddle Foundation will help with the fence repair along with the gate. The minutes were approved by David Pitts with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Bilby.

Mike Webster, from the Hurricanes, discussed a termination clause in the contract with his group. The Rec Board has been contacted about their scheduling requirements. Mike asked about a written request for fence replacement on behalf of the Rec Board. Roger thinks the foundation will help with supplies. Mike doesn't think there will be major changes to the Rec Board personnel this year.

Walt will get a quote for a new mower from Reynolds. He prefers a sixty inch cut. Theda suggested talking to the Fishers office at Reynolds to try to get a corporate discount. Walt had an issue about the front sign being changed property. He needs to be contacted as soon as possible in order to get the sign updated in a timely fashion.

The Park Board will need to meet at the Park next month to review the playground equipment issues. Walt will be making some changes in the horseshoe pits. The state tournament will be held in Sheridan this year. Walt isn't certain about the league's donation and isn't sure who pays the light bill on that area.

John Barker will discuss the cabin with Melanie Wise. Theda will get with Dave Shinault about his attending a meeting on behalf of the Boy Scouts.

Theda stated that she had been approached by Wanda Otis about our needing a new member. Joe Bilby turned in his resignation effective immediately. We need a membership drive to staff our Board.

We may want to consider a 40 year anniversary for this year's July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration.

Respectfully Submitted

Theda Anderson

Secretary

## **Minutes Biddle Memorial Park Board**

### **March 20, 2012**

In attendance: Roger Myers President, Theda Anderson Secretary, David Pitts Member, Chuck Stoops Member, John Barker Member, Walt Castor Superintendent, Wanda Lyons Guest, Kelly Burnell, Guest and Kirk Green Guest

The Board met at Biddle Park to discuss playground equipment set up and cleanup. It was determined that the old playground equipment from Adams Elementary was salvageable and the Lions Club would be willing to help get it set up.

The meeting was then moved to the Sheridan Town Hall.

Walt needs new work shirts. He would prefer the button version and would require a size sixteen. Theda will get in touch with Sarah Moore to get the order taken care of.

Kirk Green and Kelly Burnell represented the Sheridan Youth Development Commission. They discussed renovating the old scout cabin for a youth activities. Research has been done showing youth need a monitored environment. They have investigated grant monies available for the renovation project. They already have donations for a pool table for the youth center. They have spoken to Melanie Wise who represents the Sheridan Girl Scouts, and it was agreed that the building could be used for numerous youth services, including scouting. They would offer park cleanup as an incentive. There would be adult supervision at all times. It would involve primarily middle school children. The Board suggested they also discuss their plan with the Sheridan Town Board as the Town actually owns the property. They will forward a proposal for the project. Theda Anderson made a motion to allow the Sheridan Youth Development Commission to move forward with their proposal. A second was made by David Pitts. Roger Myers will talk to Liz Walden about getting the information to the Town Council for review.

There were no formal minutes from last month's meeting but David Pitts shared his notes for discussion.

The Treasure's report was reviewed. We received a quote from Reynolds Farm Equipment for a new mower for approximately \$8800.00. Theda again suggested contacting their office to verify this is the best deal available.

The Rec Board would like to add yellow pipe to the ball diamond fence. The Board would like assurance it looks ok prior to the complete installation. We need the fence straightened in several areas. Walt will check about the signs being put back up once the project is complete. Biddle Foundation will donate the funds to replace the fence that was removed from the big diamond.

The sign rental agreements have been sent for renewal.

Walt has had the gator repaired at Reynolds.

We have the agreement signed by the baseball travel team, The Hurricanes, from Mike Webster. The date will need to be corrected. They were to forward the first installment of the monetary portion of the agreement. However, it does not appear on the Treasurer's report. Roger will talk to Liz to see if it has been received.

Walt got a quote on mulch for the playground area. It was \$12.00 per yard and he will check on delivery charges. The mulch will need to be at least 6 inches deep.

Walt is to get with the Hamilton County Probation department to see about getting workers to assist in cleanup. The Main Street Revitalization Group is also trying to coordinate cleanup. Chuck will see about

get perennials for the flower beds. Walt will be ordering new supplies and will be taking a couple small trees down. Roger will gain information on the hamburger fry for opening day. We will do our annual spring roadblock then as well. Joe Bilby has agreed to help with that again this year and will need to be contacted with date information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theda Anderson, Secretary

## **Minutes Biddle Memorial Park**

**April 2012**

In Attendance: Roger Myers President, David Pitts Member, Chuck Stoops Member, Walt Castor Superintendent, Theda Anderson Secretary, Wanda Lyons potential member, and Kelly Burnell Sheridan Youth Development .

Wanda will need approval to become a member of the Board through the Sheridan Town Council. Walt will bring that up at the meeting.

Minutes were read from the prior meeting with an approval by David Pitts and a second by Chuck Stoops.

The baseball hamburger fry will be this Saturday with weather permitting. There will be the usual parade for opening day. We will have our annual spring road block that day too. Wanda and Walt will work together to get the windshield tags taken care of. Roger will get with Liz for Town Council approval. Theda will make new wrappers for our collection buckets. Joe Bilby will help and should be there around eight or nine o'clock.

A picture of the playground equipment could not be located. We need something to use as a guide to put it together. Chuck will bring his bucket truck out on May 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 to try to get the project started.

Theda has been in contact with Sara Moore about Walt's new shirts. They may take a little longer because they are special order.

Another quote for a Torro mower was received for \$6500.00. Al Patterson has been in contact with Brian Myers about Hamilton County helping out with maintenance at the Park. If an agreement could be made, the Hamilton County Parks and Recreation and Biddle Memorial Park Board could develop a possible co-op to improve and maintain the Park. Biddle Foundation would like to use their donations for capital improvements versus day to day operation. Wanda discussed her husband may be willing to sell a mower with very low hours.

Roger has spoken to the Rec Board about the fence repair. They are moving forward to get it taken care of. Mike Webster is to get a material list to Biddle Foundation.

Walt will replace and re-wire a breaker box for the Rec Board. Chuck will bring down his bucket truck to help with some limb removal. Walt has replaced the door on the basketball light box. He has spoken to boys playing on the basketball court about the lights being left on. Keith Rinkenber, from the tennis program, would like to have the old basketball goals taken out by the courts.

Thanks to the Barker family for cleaning out the flower beds. They have been a huge help. Main Street Revitalization also helped with cleanup.

The \$500.00 initial payment was received from the Hurricane's travel baseball league.

The mulch bid for the playground was received. A motion was made by Theda to approve up to \$1500 for mulch replacement. David Pitts made the second and Walt will get in touch with Travis Stern to get it taken care of.

A note was received about camping at Biddle Memorial Park during the summer bluegrass festival. Chuck made a motion to approve camping at \$20.00 per night per campsite. The money can be turned in at the Sheridan Town Hall. *Motion approved - no electai to be provided.*

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Another note was made about minutes not being received. Theda will email them to Connie Stern.

Kelly Burnell from Sheridan Youth Development discussed options for summer programs at Biddle Park. She has spoken to Amanda Smith at Cool Creek and they have so many neat things going on. Her group would like to set up at least one get together a month. They will advertise around town and through the school website. The youth may be interested in painting some swings and helping with other improvements.

The American Legion would like to hold a bake sale on the 28<sup>th</sup> at the Park. Theda made a motion to approve the bake sale with a second by David Pitts. Chuck will contact Connie about the approval.

A letter was received from Sheridan Middle School students requesting Biddle Park be smoke free. Theda will get in touch with Nicki Zachery about having some students attend a Board meeting.

Walt will take care of a few repairs on the tennis court.

Respectfully Submitted

Theda Anderson, Secretary

## Minutes Biddle Memorial Park

May 2012

In Attendance: Roger Myers President, Theda Anderson Secretary, Chuck Stoops Member, David Pitts Member, Wanda Lyons Member, and Walt Castor Superintendent

We re-scheduled the park playground equipment review for May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30.

Roger, Walt, and Mike Webster are to meet this Friday at 4:00 to purchase materials at Menards for fence repair. We would prefer an eight foot gate right of center field, if that's an option. Walt will also look at Menards for options to repair the fencing on the tennis court. He also has a guy wanting to help with removing the old basketball goals.

Wanda was approved by the Town Council to become a Biddle Memorial Park Board member.

The Rec Board hamburger fry took place on both Saturday and Sunday the same day our roadblock was a rain out. Chuck and Walt are still working on getting a time set for limb removal.

Christ Tabernacle will be having their annual revival from July 1<sup>st</sup> until the 4<sup>th</sup>. They have already made reservations for the pavilion in the event of bad weather.

The west shelter poles are in need of repair. The wood has started to rot. Walt and Chuck will be working together to see if they can come up with a solution.

David Pitts made a motion to approve an additional \$500.00 for mulch to complete the playground project. Theda Anderson made the motion to second.

Theda did call Nicki Zachery, the middle school counselor, and did invite the SADD group to attend the June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss their case to ban smoking in the Park.

There has been no response from Al Patterson with Hamilton County Parks and Recreation about assisting with some of the Park upkeep. He has had past discussions with Brian Myers.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed.

The Rec Board needs to clean up around the temporary fencing. They were to keep the areas weed free. They are all very overgrown at this time.

Doug Cole has been allowing Walt to use his mower with a 72 inch cut. Someone stole the chain saw from the garage. Walt did file a report with the Sheridan Police Department. No trees have been taken down yet. Darlene Myers would like to see them taken down very soon. Wanda will try to get a quote for the removal. Paula Boone is doing fine with the annual Farmer's Market.

Roger will finalize the agreement with the Sheridan REC Board. He has been working with Jake Koepsy.

Everyone agreed that the Tune-a-matics are always a great hit and would like to see them return for July 4<sup>th</sup>. Wanda suggested Mule Barn a local band as well. Roger will talk to Bob Holcomb to see bout using his equipment again. We need to replace one of the microphones.

Walt will talk to Joe Bilby about supplies for the shake-up stand. We will raise the cost of each lemon shake-up to \$2.50. Wanda made the motion with a second by Theda to use the same cups and simply increase the cost. Roger

will talk to his brother about the lemon squeezer used last year. We will need thinner skinned lemons in order for it to benefit us.

Booth space for crafts will be \$15.00, games will be \$20.00 or \$25.00, and food vendors will be charged \$50.00-\$60.00 based on electric needs.

We will meet on June 19<sup>th</sup> at the pavilion to make syrup and have a short meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theda Anderson

Secretary



## **Minutes Biddle Memorial Park Board August 2012**

*In Attendance:* Roger Myers President, David Pitts, Member, John Barker Member, Wanda Lyons Member, Theda Anderson Secretary, Walt Castor Superintendent, and Cheryl Buzan Guest-Studio 33 Zumba Instructor

The meeting was opened with Cheryl Buzan requesting to borrow the stage for a free Zumba class open to all Sheridan residents. Cheryl would like to have the event on Saturday September 22, 2012 at the American Legion parking lot. It was agreed to allow the use of the stage. Walt will take the stage down to the parking lot and should not have any issues. Theda Anderson made a motion to approve with a second by John Barker.

The minutes were read from the prior meeting with a motion to approve by David Pitts and a second by John Barker.

Joe Ridge has not sold the playground equipment yet he picked up at the Park. Walt isn't sure when he will be making a donation based on the items not being sold at this time. The Board felt that the replacement of the fencing on the diamond by the Rec Board was done well.

Theda has corresponding with Valerie Roberts and Shelly regarding the tobacco use signs. Shelly will be contacting Walt to make arrangements for the installation.

Ron Hammack has taken care of the tree removal. He will also give a quote to remove the remaining stumps. Walt will take care of taking the tree down behind the concessions stand.

The fireworks were paid for by Biddle Foundation and will be stored where they were purchased until next years July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. The lemon shake-up income appears to be around \$800.00 prior to expenses. We had \$150.00 in pavilion rental and \$185 for sign rental. There was a \$3.61 reimbursement for postage and we received the Lion's Club donation of \$1000.00. \$500.00 was received for sign renewal and the Rec Board passed along \$4,000.00. There was a copy of an outstanding Rec Board electric bill for \$200.00 that remains unpaid.

Walt discussed the repairs on the mower. The clutch had to be replaced. There was an oil leak and there were a number of gaskets blown. The total repair bill was \$1557.74.

We will have the fall roadblock on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Purdue will have a home game that weekend and that should generate more traffic. Walt will discuss this with the Town Hall. Darlene Myers may be willing to help again this year.

We had an estimate for \$1800.00 from Duke Energy to move a telephone pole for the skate park project. Chuck Stoops has resigned from the Park Board because no vote was taken to approve the building of the skate park. Discussion took place regarding the pros and cons of the skate park. There was an additional resident who had concerns at the Town Board meeting. It is understood that the Sheridan Police Department will patrol the area as they currently do throughout the Park. The skate park area will be opening on September 27<sup>th</sup> and the surface will be concrete versus asphalt. Board members felt it would have been best that Biddle Foundation approach the Board prior to confirming plans for the skate park. A motion was made by David Pitts to approve the skate park with a second by John Barker. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote. Walt would like to see a fence put up around the area with a sign regarding liability. There must be an understanding that if there are issues of vandalism in the area it will not be tolerated and will be dealt with immediately.

The Board currently has two open seats. Everyone is encouraged to do what they can to solicit new members.

There was no follow-up on the equipment report. John Barker may be able to assist Walt to obtaining a new bearing for the merry go round.

Respectfully Submitted

Theda Anderson, Secretary

## **Biddle Memorial Park Board**

**September 2012**

In Attendance: Roger Myers President, David Pitts Member, John Barker Member, Theda Anderson Secretary, Walt Castor Superintendent, Guests: Keith Rinckenberg, Regan Kercheval, Johnny Payne, Robbie Kinkaid, Jesse Brizzell and Carter Brizzell Sheridan Tennis Organization and Parvin Gillim Potential Board Member.

Walt gave a health update on Wanda Lyons. She is progressing from a fall she had from her barn. She is going through a slow process but doing better.

Keith Rinckenberg, from the Sheridan tennis program, discussed surface issues on the courts. It is deteriorating rapidly from continued use. The feels the courts are getting used between 26 and 30 hours per week. His organization would like to see improvements made. There are several exterior cracks throughout the surface. The fencing is in bad shape. They are willing to assist with completing an update project. They don't feel that they are getting any financial support from the Sheridan Rec Board. They would like to gain some estimates for repair and submit them to the Board in the spring. They feel the tennis organization does a great job in helping keep the basketball area clean and do have to calm down the language on the court a bit because of their young team members. Theda asked if anyone had seen the new courts at Frankfort High School. She will contact their athletic department to see if there are any additional supplies or equipment from their prior courts they may not need. Their teams would be willing to assist with other projects in the Park to help offset some repair costs. They would also be willing to support a fundraiser to help. Regan Kercheval discussed several options to assist and work together to get thing done. The additional guests all gave rave reviews of the program and a commitment to assist in any way they can.

Minutes from the prior meeting were read with a correction needed for opening day of the Skate Park. It was the 22<sup>nd</sup>. A motion to approve was made by David Pitts with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Barker.

The stage will be moved on Friday to the Legion for Cheryl Buzan to use for her Zumba community class. Joe Ridge has not made a donation so far for scrapping the playground equipment. Walt will be putting up the signs for the tobacco use. He thinks there are 8 total signs. There are still 2 trees that need taken out. Our next roadblock will be October 13<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion was opened regarding the demolition of the scout cabin. We may see if the Town will be willing to at least tear it down with the new backhoe. We agreed to pay for the dumpster for the removal if we can get the building tore down. David Pitts made a motion to have Walt investigate the demolition of the building. A 2nd was made by Theda. Walt is making provisions to have the carved eagle moved from its current site by the pavilion. He feels it may rot if not moved to another site. Walt will be out the last weekend in September. John and Walt still need to locate a bearing for the merry go round.

Brian Myers will be working to get additional mulch. A number of updated picnic tables were purchased from the Crooked Stick Golf Tournament. 25 tables were purchased for \$50.00 each. Some of the old tables will be recycled to Veteran's park. We now have at least 35 good tables at Biddle Park.

Chuck Stoops is very busy and will not be able to help with the dust to dawn lights. Brian Myers may know someone who will be able to assist. We need lights at the Skate Park. We need to replace the old bulbs with the new and improved versions.

Parvin Gillim suggested that we have Tom Cain at least condemn the scout cabin prior to having it taken down. Roger will contact Liz to see if a letter can be written regarding the condition.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theda Anderson, Secretary

## Minutes Biddle Memorial Park Board October 2012

In Attendance: Roger Myers President, David Pitts Member, John Barker Member, Theda Anderson Secretary, Walt Castor Superintendent, Brenda Bush Guest, David Kincaid Guest, and Greg Durbin Guest Sheridan Rec Board.

Minutes were read from prior meeting with two corrections. The lights to be repaired are the dust to dawn and we have a total of 60 tables, 35 old and 25 new. The corrected minutes were approved by David Pitts with a second by John Barker. Per Walt one picnic table is already missing.

Current Treasurer's report shows a balance of \$2021.00 We are expecting an additional \$200.00 from the Rec Board for an electric bill. After payroll and the roadblock deposit, our balance will remain at approximately \$1200.00. We are also awaiting payment of \$72.00 from the Harvest Moon festival.

Greg Durbin wanted to make certain the metal bleachers were back by spring for baseball season. The Rec Board will handle any repairs needed. Greg questioned the condition of the scout cabin. The Rec Board will be repairing the press boxes due to roof leaks and may have some white siding left over. Roger questioned the color of the siding and that it may be best to go with another color if possible. It appears the siding is donated and they are going to need to use the white. There are some issues with the girl's diamond due to the carnival. They will take care of any problems in the spring. Reynolds may be willing to lend some equipment for the project.

It may be 6 to 8 months before Wanda Lyons is recovered from her fall.

Theda spoke with the Frankfort School system and there are no materials available from their recent tennis court installation. Keith Rinkenberg will be getting an estimate for court repairs. There may be a sinking spot on the court. Per Walt there are also surface issues on the asphalt in front of the concession stand.

Roger had a request from Sharon Brimberry to take the stage to Westfield in the spring. There may be structure and chassis issues. The Board did not believe it to be a good idea to travel that far with the stage.

The tobacco free zone signs are not up yet. Walt will have them up by the end of the season. The bearing for the merry go round has not been located. David Kincaid may be able to help.

Duke Energy will be taking care of fixing at least two of the dust to dawn lights. We have another electrician who will come in for the remainder of the light repairs.

Walt has spoken to Tom Cain and he will condemn the scout cabin if needed in order to have it torn down. There is an additional tree to be taken out but it can wait until spring. Walt will be winterizing the Park soon and will shut off the refrigerator and the small freezer. There is an electric line, northwest of the basketball court that is hanging too low. Walt will be cutting off the bird sculpture very soon and will be storing it in the shop all winter. He will board it in Olympia waterproofing solution and seek oil.

Per Roger the total for the skate park was \$35K including the fencing. He will also call Parvin Gillim again to see if he is interested in becoming a board member.

Brenda Bush and Dave Kincaid discussed the Blue Grass Fever summer event. The dates are July 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. They would like to see camping expanded in the Park. We may consider portable showers. We may be able to charge \$10-\$15 per camp spot. Per Brenda, this is an up and coming event for our community and they are trying to get things in order prior to printing their brochure. The Board was in agreement that the camping would be a good idea to help promote the event.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theda Anderson, Secretary