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STILLWATER TOWNSHIP PARK COMMITTEE

July 14, 2008

Town Hall

7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairperson Rod Hunter, Park Committee Members Matt Beane, Michael Ranalla and Barbara Riehle and Town Board Liaison Jim Doriott.

1. AGENDA – M/S/P Beane/Ranalla moved to adopt the agenda as written. (4 ayes)
2. MINUTES – M/S/P Riehle/Beane moved to approve the 5/12/08 Stillwater Township Park Committee Meeting minutes as written. (4 ayes)
3. TOWNSHIP PICNIC –
 - Barbara Riehle had contacted Deputy Fire Chief Rob Zoller and they would be happy to come and do a demonstration. She will contact them again before the event to confirm.
 - Barbara Riehle checked again on “jumpers” and a dunk tank. She will book one “jumper” from “Just Jump, Inc.” which they will put up and take down. They will need a check for \$170.40 the day of the event.
 - Matt Beane and Michael Ranalla will take care of food – hot dogs, beverages, plates, ice, etc.
 - Grills and tubs for beverages will be needed.
 - River Market will be asked to set up a booth if they will do so for no charge.
 - The consensus was that a photographer will not be needed.
 - Barbara Riehle will check into a face painter.
 - Michael Ranalla will check with Bob Ranalla about putting something on the web site about the picnic.
 - Matt Beane will check with Xcel Energy about a safety demonstration.
 - The Sheriff’s Department will have a canine demonstration unit there at noon.
4. PARK SIGNS –
 - Jim Doriott, Engineer Paul Pearson and representatives from the Watershed District and DNR visited Little Carnelian Park and they determined that a boulder boundary would not work. The Township can put up “Township Boundary” signs.
 - Signs should be made up for Otto Berg and Little Carnelian Park using the general wording from the July 2007 Park Committee Meeting. They should be low maintenance.
 - The trail on Quarry Avenue should have a sign to mark the trail.
 - There was discussion of naming the Township trails and marking them with signs.
5. PARK LAND ACQUISITION – There was discussion of the importance of being “proactive” in acquiring park land rather than waiting until development occurs. The Committee should look at areas that have been designated as park sites and offer to

purchase land with the bonus for the owner that he would not lose density for development purposes.

6. WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER – The newsletter will have an item about the upcoming Township picnic.
7. NEW BUSINESS – There was none.
8. TOWN BOARD LIAISON REPORT – Jim Doriott reported that he had planted three trees in Otto Berg Park. He will walk the park with Rod Hunter after this meeting to determine where to put more trees. He reported on other Town Board activities.
9. ADJOURNMENT – M/S/P Riehle/Ranalla moved to adjourn the meeting. (4 ayes)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Submitted by: Kathy Schmoeckel
Park Committee Clerk