

MINUTES
BEN GEREN PARK BOARD MEETING
February 11, 2013
12:00 Noon

The regular meeting of the Ben Geren Park Board was held at 12:00 noon, February 11, 2013, at the Ben Geren Park Community Building, 7200 Zero, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Present was:

Mr. Eddy Beshears
Mr. Jerry Neel
Mr. Frank Glidewell

Absent was:

Mrs. Beth Presley

Others present were:

Mr. Channon Toland, Parks Administrator
Mr. Bobby Faulkner, Park Maintenance Supervisor
Mrs. Paula Vincent, Parks Administrative Secretary
Mr. Brian Cummins, Golf Course Superintendent
Mr. Joe Mundy, Ben Geren Softball Association President
Mr. Mark Hare, Wanna Be Racing
Mr. Danny Aldridge
Ms. Wanda Freeman, Southwest Times Record

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 Noon by Mr. Eddy Beshears, Chairman.

Minutes of the January 14, 2013, meeting were reviewed. Frank Glidewell moved and Jerry Neel seconded that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried unanimously.

The first item on the agenda was Reports:

Park Administrator Report: Channon Toland

- The Monthly Financial Reports were reviewed. A total of \$19,820.98 for the Golf Course and \$960 for the Front Side was transferred to County Treasurer for January 2013.
- Status of ongoing projects, including Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Disc Golf was reviewed.
- According to Joe Mundy, a score booth that was blown over has been rebuilt and lowered to ground level. Channon expressed appreciation to Ben Geren Softball Association for their work in moving forward with facility repairs and upkeep.
- Park Staff is working with the Alzheimer's Association to spruce up their memory walk.

Briefing on Golf Course Marketing: Steve Nicholls (absent)

- Channon and Steve have been looking at other marketing options

Briefing on Golf Course Operations: Brian Cummins

- No projects going on at this time.
- Work continues on irrigation
- Brian will be concentrating on green speed this year

Park Operations: Bobby Faulkner

- Softball: Bleachers are being repaired; score booths are being lowered
- Restroom: Building is in place; concrete sidewalk work is in progress
- Miniature Golf: Preseason maintenance is in progress
- Trails: Maintenance is ongoing, i.e. dead trees

Old Business:

There was no old business on the agenda

New Business:

Mark Hare is in the process of preseason cleaning and getting ready to open Wanna Be Racing.

Danny Aldridge asked about a tree replacement plan for the park and Bobby Faulkner explained how that has been addressed in the past.

There being no other business to come before the Board, Jerry Neel moved and Frank Glidewell seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Vincent
Administrative Secretary