

**PARKS AND LEISURE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

**May 4th, 6:30 P.M.
Arnold Recreation Center**

Roll Call: Lane, Plunk, Furkin, Crutchley, Kohut, Schwierjohn, Waldrup, Lang, Moritz, Luebbers, McCarthy, Curcuru, Patch

Excused: Wegge and Boone

Approval of minutes: Motion made by Lane and Seconded by Waldrup to approve minutes as submitted. Approved Unanimously

Business From the Floor: None

New Business:

Pomme Creek Capital Projects Update: Tim S. said that four of the holes were closed and that the grass is in good condition. He said the greens will be fine. Concrete has been ripped out and they will pour this Friday. The decking material is in from Lowe's and they hope to get started with that soon. Bob Furkin reported that the renovations to the cart shed and Clubhouse are complete. The Shade sales should be in by the end of May. The Pro-shop has a new POS system in and it is working. Bob said it was good and exciting but also challenging. Bob said 12 directional signs have been ordered and should be installed in about a week.

Arnold Ambassador Update: Teresa reported that the group is growing slowly and there was a very nice turn out of volunteers at the Adult Easter Egg Hunt. Approximately twelve volunteers assisted and were responsible for hiding the eggs, handling registration and handing out bags after the event. Troy Blacksher has been volunteering to handle all photographic duties. Teresa will be hosting a presentation to the BNI group this summer, possibly as early as June 15th.

Littering policy in parks: Brian Waldrup discussed he is interested in doing a city wide clean up that would involve many groups in our community. He has been talking to the Mayor and Matt Unrein. Possibly the city could order the bags. Cricky Lang said it would be a good idea to get the young kids involved. Gary Plunk commended Brian on his work in trying to get this project going and his concern for the community.

Special Events Report: Teresa reported that Concerts in the Park are scheduled for June 18th with Dance Floor Riot and on August 6th with Fanfare and both are beginning at 7 PM. The concerts are free and the Parks Department will be selling concessions at both concerts. Arnold Days Festival meetings are being held and planning is progressing.

Parks and Pool Updates: Dave Crutchley reported on the condition of Arnold Park following the spring flooding. He said the middle area is holding water still at Arnold City Park. All pavilions have been cleaned and sprayed out. They have cleaned and mulched the playground area. He said the ball fields have a lot of trash and there is a lot of debris in the back of the park. There was no damage to Ferd B. Lang Park.

The outdoor pool is being prepared for opening the end of May. Dave said his staff painted at the pool last Friday and the entire play structure has been repainted and will be ready to open on time. There were questions about whether Strawberry Creek would be paved this summer. The possible suggestion of charging non-residents for use of the fields was also discussed. Most agreed that charging non-residents would be a good idea.

Gary Luebbers brought up the idea of a Movie Night camping night. Bill Moritz said if the right movie were selected he thought it would be a good idea. Bill also would like to see the trash picked up in the parks.

Pomme Golf Leagues and scheduled outings report: Bob Furkin reported that the Arnold Historical Society has re-scheduled and Patriot Days golf outing is scheduled for Sept. 2nd. Southtowne Dodge will be sponsoring a hole in one for a free car.

Sand Volleyball Leagues Report: Molly reported there is one league and they have finished their second week of play. Parks will be selling concessions at the games and there have been a few rentals for the courts.

July 4th celebration update: Joe Dirt Band will be playing starting at 7 PM and the fireworks will start at 9PM. Concessions will be available starting at 4 PM.

Next Meeting: July 11th 6:30 PM

Motion to Adjourn by Gary and seconded by Brian.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Teresa Kohut
Adm. Assist. Parks and Recreation Department
City of Arnold**