

Chairman Blackstock called regular meeting of the East China Park Commission to order at 7:30 PM.

**Attendance:** Beaudua, Blackstock, Franko, Mollan, Phillips, and Wilson. Kramm excused.

Audience: Trustee Simons, J Mireau, D Slanec and one resident from the township.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the June 08, 2011 meeting were read. Motion to accept was made by Mollan supported by Beaudua and carried.

**Bills:** The bills were reviewed. Question was raised to see if the mulch for he Kiddescape could be purchased from local providers. A motion to accept the June 2011 bills was made by Franko supported by Mollan and carried. All present voted in the affirmative by roll call vote.

**Township Reports:** Mr. Simons reported we have received good comments on the condition of the parks and also the summer recreation program.

**Public Comment:** Township resident inquired about how to go about getting wood from trees that are cut down in the parks.

**Park Manager Report:** J Mireau reported the drainage issue around the dog park area is being looked into. He is looking into getting a water spigot installed at St. Clair Shores Blvd. Park. The County cut the large ditch in the park at no cost but would require a fee for future cutting. The Relay for Life event was held in the main park and was handled very well by our park employees. This was the first time that people were allowed to stay overnight. Now that the event is over the park manager will discuss changes that can be made for next year to make it an event that can be enjoyed by everyone that uses the park.

D Slanec submitted three bids to replace the shingled roof on pavilion #1 with a metal roof. Discussion was held and a motion to accept the bid from Orchard Construction with the addition of the KYNAR coating was made by Mollan supported by Phillips and carried. All present voted in the affirmative by roll call vote.

All the dispensers in the restrooms were replaced with dual roll type .Now industrial strength cleaners are being used to clean in all the restrooms. The floor was sealed in the restroom by the soccer fields. Painted and replaced drinking fountains in the parks. Used up a lot of some old linseed oil to reseal the bridges (Four are done with one to do once some repairs are made) .Made up some benches from salvaged parts from old benches. The playscape area was mulched. In Manor Park both tables were refurbished and the areas are now handicap accessible. The tables and pavilion was power washed and the backboard was replaced. In River Park the benches and grills were painted, the end caps were replaced on the tables.

Some items for future consideration are to install a urinal in the restroom near the soccer fields and install some air vents. The softball fields need some attention with drainage and getting some more material (diamond dust) on the infields. Ms. Slanec stated she is enjoying her job working for the township parks.

**Review Recreational Grants:** County park manager has indicated we must submit a letter to the County Parks with quotes of what we need and intend to do before the County Parks will consider matching funds.

**5 Year Plan:** No Discussion

**Summer Rec.** A request that we receive an update from the Recreation Director for the summer 2011 session in the month of August.

**Budget 2011:** Budget looks good.

**Soccer:** We have not received a soccer schedule and have not received to our knowledge any

fees from the soccer league. AYSO needs to be contacted so these items can be taken care of.

**Other Items:** A proposal to move the starting time of the Park Commission meeting to 7:00 will be considered before the start of 2012.

A motion to adjourn was made by Wilson supported by Franko and carried @ 8:58 PM

## **Next Meeting August 10, 2011 @ 7:30PM**

### Park Commission Agenda for August 10, 2011

- 1) Call to Order
  - 2) Attendance
  - 3) Minutes
  - 4) Review of Bills
  - 5) Township Reports
  - 6) Public Comment
  - 7) Park Manager Report
  - 8) Review Recreational Grants
  - 9) 5 Year Plan
  - 10) 2011 Budget
  - 11) Summer Recreation
  - 12) Any Items for the Commission
- Secretary     Wayne Phillips