

May 17, 2011

The Park and Tree Board, City of Kearney, Missouri, met in regular session at 6:30 P.M. May 17, 2011 at 100 East Washington with Kelly Peitzman presiding. Members present were Jeff Couchman, Mike Miller, Bruce Sprague and Connie Crawford. Julie Jones and Ed Haney were absent. Staff members present were Eric Marshall, Ryan Marcotte and Shirley Zimmerman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES A motion was made by Connie Crawford and seconded by Mike Miller to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2011 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC REQUESTS & PETITIONS

BRETT MAUPIN EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT Brett Maupin presented a birdhouse like he is placing on the trails. He said he built twelve birdhouses and six were for the trail in Mack Porter Park and six for the trail in Jesse James Park. He said he hopes to get them put up this week-end. This will help him complete his Eagle Scout badge.

Kelly Peitzman asked if they can be cleaned out. Brett said the bottom can be removed to clean.

Eric Marshall asked if he had any financial support. He said he went to Lowe's and they gave him all the materials at cost. He said he spent about \$75 on materials.

OLD BUSINESS

DEPOSIT CONTRACT FOR USES OF JESSE JAMES PARK Eric Marshall presented a copy of a contract that will be used for events in Jesse James Park. He said the new section is Section 4E.

Kelly Peitzman said he wanted to thank the City for bringing the City Attorney to the last meeting to better explain the process. He said he was very pleased with the new section and said he thought the organizations involved are pleased also.

A motion was made by Connie Crawford and seconded by Mike Miller to approve adding Section 4E to the contracts for use of Jesse James Park. The motion carried unanimously.

LION'S PARK STAGE Eric Marshall reported that the Kearney Holt Community Theater started working on the expansion of the stage last weekend. It is a large area and will make the stage more inviting for weddings, etc. to be held in the Park as well as Theater In The Park.

Eric Marshall said he wanted to thank Mike Miller for getting a great deal on the lumber for them and delivering it as needed.

NEW BUSINESS

DECEL LANE AT JESSE JAMES PARK ENTRANCE Eric Marshall said the contractor has been approved for the decel lane at Jesse James Park entrance. He said they are waiting on some paperwork before work can begin.

Eric Marshall said Virgil Barchers will be the inspector on the job for the City of Kearney. They have ninety days to complete the job and won't work on week-ends of concerts.

AMPHITHEATER ITEMS

Ryan Marcotte reported that the first concert will be May 28th with the Blues Fest. He said we are up with sponsorship money this year which is a good thing. We have started selling tickets on line and at City Hall.

Ryan Marcotte said we had post cards that were going to be mailed to everyone in Kearney and Holt. After learning of the cost of postage to do that, we talked to the newspaper and worked out a deal with them. They will insert them in 10,000 Liberty newspapers.

Ryan Marcotte said we have worked out a deal with the newspaper this year. We will give them 24 tickets to each of the large acts. They will give us a lot of free advertising in the newspaper in return.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business on the agenda, a motion was made by Jeff Couchman and seconded by Mike Miller. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved: _____ **Attest:** _____
Kelly Peitzman, Chairman **Jeff Couchman, Acting Secretary**