

Ball Pond Advisory Committee

MINUTES

June 12, 2012

7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Ball Pond Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 in the Town Hall Conference Room.

Cynthia Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. George Buck and Helen Gallagher were also in attendance. Brian Bosley and Terry Lent were absent.

Approval of Minutes:

Helen Gallagher made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2012 meeting. George Buck seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion Approved)

General Correspondence: Cynthia Stevens reviewed the monthly financial summary and the end-of-fiscal-year Finance Department requirements. She will follow-up with Bruce Lockhart to make sure that his services can be rendered in this FY. Darlene Anderson-Alexander will open an additional PO for Bruce Lockhart for \$699 (the funds that were transferred from the salary line).

Public Comment:

Old Business:

- Invasive Species
 - It appears that coontail is the most prevalent weed in the lake. Japanese knotweed, and garlic mustard are the most prevalent invasive weeds on land around the lake right now. There are some invasive pink water lilies in the water and a bit of loosestrife.
 - George Buck would like to see Bruce Lockhart focus on the area near the Town Park; Cynthia Stevens suggested that he be asked to focus on the pink water lilies lake-wide and then the Town Park if there are time and money remaining.
 - George Buck raised the question of whether or not weed removal in front of Hahlawah is the most prudent use of the money remaining in the BPAC budget, and the Committee decided to focus on the Town Park.
- Town Park
 - Public Works may need to be reminded to mow; Brian Bosley offered to call them during the summer as necessary.
 - There are some boats that have been left at the Park. George Buck put notes on them asking their owners to remove them. The Parks and Rec Commission chairman, Sean Loughran, agreed to post a "no boats" sign.
 - It seems that the Park is being used. Committee members have seen families there, children fishing, etc. Cynthia Stevens was disturbed that some visitors left trash behind.

New Business:

- Update on the Hahlawah Preserve
 - The Boy Scouts have done work on the trails this spring. A volunteer has offered to chip the debris and then the boys will spread the chips along the trails. The Land Trust will be

meeting with a tree expert to determine which trees are dangerous and should be taken down.

- New members for the BPAC
 - There is an on-going need to identify new members for the BPAC. The Committee brainstormed about who might be interested.

Adjournment:

- The next regular meeting of the Ball Pond Advisory Committee will be on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Conference Room. Brian Bosley will chair that meeting. Darlene Anderson-Alexander will find a substitute Secretary.
- Helen Gallagher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.; George Buck seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0 (Motion Approved)

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene Anderson-Alexander
Recording Secretary