

Fremont Parks Board – Minutes – January 13, 2009

Meeting opened at 6:10pm, January 13, 2009. All were in attendance (Liz, Drew, Anne and Neil).

Drew becomes the Secretary for the 2009 calendar year: Motion by Liz, 2nd by Anne. Vote: Passes, 4-0.

- Based on a mutual agreement by all parties, Anne will remain President and Neil will remain Vice-President.
- Anne discussed a joint education partnership for a grant to fund an art camp this summer. **The grant deadline for this is February 13.** The Parks Board would be working with the Fremont Library on this. It would be billed as a Parks-Library event. Support for the "Art in the Park" camp in partnership with the Library: Motion by Liz, 2nd by Drew. Vote: Passes, 4-0.
- We are looking for a grant writer to help secure a Trails Grant. Do we hire someone? We are working to see what costs for different trails might be. No action was taken at this time.
- Anne is checking on the idea of renewing the Parks Board sponsorship of an Easter Egg Hunt in April. We will discuss further in February.
- Questions posed by the Board: Should we hold a "Grand Opening" for Board Street Park? Will that be the park's name? When is the fence there coming down exactly?
- Liz will check on funds from the Community Foundation that might be able to be earmarked for Fremont Parks Beautification.
- Neil wants to replant the shrubs at the entrance of City Park.
- We discussed the idea of closing all parks at dusk. There have be issues with the community witnessing loitering and vandalism among teens.
- Drew will talk to Mark Fowerbaugh, Principal at FMS, about the possibility of using their inflatable screen to show movies on during our "Fridays in the Park" concept. We will have a solid plan for the concept in February.
- A discussion began about inviting churches to hold services at Broad Street Park. Would there be any government issues with this?
- What are we charging to rent the pavilion? Also, should we raise the current cost to renters?
- Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 10.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07pm.