

Merlin Park Minutes

November 3rd, 2025

The meeting started at 5:00pm.

Directors Present

Jan Slusser, Lynda Spangler, Mike Chanquet, Cathy Campbell

Others Present

Randy Benetti – Park and Board Operations Assistant ** and Ken Mele – Park Host and Grounds Keeper,
Mike and Chris Baker Veterans Walk of Honor

Visitors: Johnathan Nelson Cub Scouts Leader Troop 24

Veterans Memorial Preparations ~ Walk of Honor

The Cub Scouts will assist in passing out itinerary and brochures. It was suggested that labels or written notice be put on the Walk of Honor signup brochures to note 30 days before Vets day or October 15th deadline for current year inscriptions. Cathy Campbell noted she would get that taken care of. Breakfast to start at 9:00 a.m. and Park Members to arrive 8:00 a.m. for set up. All to wear their Blue Park Shirts. Cub Scouts expected at approximately 10:00 a.m. If raining the pop ups will be needed or ceremony brought inside. The Civil Air Patrol will provide the Gun Salute Presentation. Mike Baker noted 15 Total names added of which 12 are for the wall, 2 benches and 1 paver. He is not satisfied with the Engravers mistakes and will investigate possible option for replacement. Lynda to help with Breakfast, Jan's friend and Cathy to sell cook books and shirts. Mark Jones noted in his resignation that he would help with speaker set up. Randy Benetti to MC the event, Mike Chanquet to have square to assist in electronic purchases. Jan Slusser assisting with flags and basic director of any questions.

Minutes

Motion to adopt the October minutes was proposed by Mike Chanquet per revisions noted on Mark Jones name being corrected and seconded by Lynda Spangler, Voted unanimously in favor.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report present by Mike Chanquet the end of month balance being \$6,349.56. The petty cash balance is at \$28.21. The Walk of Honor balance at \$2,174.19. Motion to adopt the Finance report as proposed by Cathy Campbell and Mike Chanquet seconded. Voted unanimously in favor.

Swearing In of 2nd Vice President

Jan Slusser swore in Randy Benetti to fill the position of 2nd Vice President to fill to remaining term that Mark Jones had resigned from. This term is noted to go to 2027. It is thought to be due to the meeting earlier in the year adding him to the Board was already motioned a duplicate motion was not required per members.

Maintenance Report

Mike Chanquet met with Action Door about the men's bathroom door bid repair. It was high at \$2,157 and \$3,239 for updating both bathroom doors with push bars. Randy Benetti noted he would check with the Welder across the street about a face plate. It was suggested that a key box be purchased for locking keys away from mistakes of renters in the future. Randy Benetti noted he has one that he will donate.

Ken's Report

Ken Mele noted the tankless water heater in the mobile home is still having issues of too hot. Randy Benetti had asked for \$200 to repair the grey mower but the cost ended up being \$365.12

Community Report

Jan Slusser noted there were no new rentals for November at the time of the meeting.

Other Notes

Lynda Spangler asked if other bids had come in for the HVAC replacement so that she could get a grant request in for the park. Jan had not seen any come into the park emails.

Old Business/New Business

It was noted that the 4H Groups will be starting up again and were invited to the December meeting. Cathy Campbell asked about a time to get the Holiday decorations and new lights installed and it was suggested the Sunday of Thanksgiving weekend, but no time was noted or confirmed. Jan Slusser noted some straw was needed for the nativity and the angel still needed her finger repaired.

The meeting was closed at 6:15 pm.