

**CITY OF SALINE PARK COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING AT CITY HALL  
MINUTES – APRIL 15, 2008 7:30 PM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Commissioners A. Armstrong, S. Collins, M. DiGiamberardino, K. Miller, M. Popovitz  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** C. Erickson, S. Slater, A. VanSchoick  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Parks & Rec Director C. Scruggs  
**CITY COUNCIL REP PRESENT:** P. Ivey  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** P. Hale, E. Burns, J. Hess, K. Stollsteimer, S. Ivey, M. Rockwell, G. Acree, M. Lirones, B. Humphrey, D. Humphrey

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

MOVED Slater SECONDED Armstrong to approve the agenda as amended.  
*Motion carried unanimously, absent: Erickson*

MOVED Armstrong SECONDED Ivey to re-approve the minutes of the February 19, 2008 meeting as corrected. *Motion carried unanimously, absent: Erickson*

MOVED DiGiamberardino SECONDED Miller to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2008 meeting as distributed. *Motion carried unanimously, absent: Erickson*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**08-04** Moved Slater SECONDED Armstrong to recommend City Council's approval of a 2008 "Arbor Day" Proclamation which proclaims May 3, 2008 as "Arbor Day" in the City of Saline, which includes a tree planting ceremony to plant three trees at 10:00 a.m. at Mill Pond Park in honor of Arbor Day.  
*Motion carried unanimously, absent: Erickson*

**08-05** MOVED Van Schoick SECONDED Slater to approve the Application for Community Event/Use of Public Ways for the annual Celtic Festival to be held July 11 and 12, 2008 at Mill Pond Park. *Motion carried unanimously, absent: Erickson*

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**1. Brecon Park Tennis Courts** – A discussion was held with attendees from the community regarding what to do with the Brecon Park tennis courts. Ideas given were: repair courts, pavilion, volleyball, lights on existing/usable courts, more climbing / play equipment, outdoor pool, water/splash park, bocce ball / horseshoes / shuffleboard, prairie (near woods/hills). The Park Commission decided to do a survey to reach out directly to Brecon Park area residents to get their input on the tennis court area.

2. **Stonecliff / Mill Pond Park Bridge** – An update was given on the progress of where the bridge issue stands.
3. **Application for the 2008 Celtic Festival** – Passed motion 08-05 (see above).
4. **Mill Pond Park Clean Up on May 3, 2008** – Food is organized, a sign is ready; continue to work on promoting park clean up and join in the Arbor Day ceremony.
5. **Volunteer Corps** – Park Commissioners each signed up to contact a group of volunteers for the clean up.
6. **York Township Earth Day Event on Saturday April 19, 2008** – Everyone is invited to attend the program.
7. **Earth Day, April 22, 2008** – S. Collins will organize a park lunch at Stonecliff Park for Tuesday, April 22 at noon to celebrate Earth Day and will plant a tree.
8. **DTE Energy Foundation Tree Planting Grant** – Our grant request was denied.
9. **Green Thumb Award** – J. Roberts provided a written document about the Green Thumb Award. Park commissioners will consider what to do with the program this year, including look for volunteers to run it, lower cost alternatives for signs and a computerized format.
10. **Set Date for Park Tour** – No decision was made. Add this item to the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda. Consider a weekday early evening in June.
11. **Washtenaw County Solid Waste Program on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – 4 pm at DPW** – Volunteers are needed; contact George Danneffel at DPW if interested.
12. **Park Brochure** – S. Collins is working on a new park brochure.

MOVED Armstrong SECONDED Van Schoick to adjourn at 8:45 pm. *Motion carried unanimously, absent: Erickson.*

ALL OTHER SUCH BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE PARK COMMISSION.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jody Roberts Recording Secretary

Date Minutes Approved \_\_\_\_\_