

KAREN HORNADAY PARK COMMITTEE

Meeting of June 7th, 2012 - 5:30 p.m.

In Attendance:

Ralph Broshes	Marti McCleery
Deb Cox	Phil Needham

HOPPS Report:

Build week was a huge success with an overabundance of community support. The twist slide has already been vandalized with carving of names into the structure. The “all too quick” vandalism led to a discussion and a possible motion urging the city to fill the “Park Host” position much sooner than later.

The subject of maintenance was discussed and a concern was raised regarding all the painting of the equipment rather than leaving it natural. Deb reported that the painting sort of just happened and that the volunteers just sort of ran with it. It was agreed that a motion would be made urging the city to implement a maintenance schedule. Deb has a copy of a maintenance plan in hand that was developed by Play by Design and will hand a copy over to the city.

Status of the Red Building was touched on with results being that no one really knows what has been decided. Is it sound? Can it become a functional part of the park?

We believe that the city is still holding \$90,000 for the day use area.

It was disappointing to see the kiosk that was installed held no information. It would be nice to see a mini-master plan layout, a park map, a little league schedule, any upgrades that are planned for the park, a schedule of upcoming park events and information on how to reserve the park for special events.

LITTLE LEAGUE Report:

Phil reported that a lot of work has been done on the ball fields and that they are in pretty good shape. The new dugouts are in and a french drain was created below the lower fields to help with the drainage issues. Partial new fencing has also been installed.

Phil elaborated on the need for a port-a-pot in the “outfield” area and is hoping that the city might provide one.

PENDING Business:

All in attendance agreed that the next steps are to secure engineering and come up with plans and funding for road realignment or upgrade.

Adjournment: Approximately 6:35 p.m.

KAREN HORNADAY PARK COMMITTEE MOTION

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To the Parks and Recreation Commission;

It is the recommendation of The Karen Hornaday Park Committee to request from the City of Homer a maintenance program for Karen Hornaday Park to include the new playground and ball fields.

Since the city has approved a camp host program, we believe that some of the maintenance responsibilities could become part of that position.

There is an existing maintenance manual provided by Playgrounds by Design for the new playground.

Thank you