



# Parks Department Board Report

## July 21, 2015 (reporting on June)

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### Administrative Update

- We are more than halfway through summer camp. Camper attendance has been excellent and staff has been reliable and flexible with all of the changes we've needed to make to accommodate the stormy weather.
- Shelter rentals are steady but slowing down compared to May. This is likely due to the rain as well.
- Lora Lacey has been hired as the new Park Director and started July 6<sup>th</sup>. Welcome!
- We've advertised the pond in the lower level as a great fishing spot with DNR stocked fish and have seen a dramatic increase in the number of people fishing in the pond everyday
- Marni attended the Avon Farmer's Market on June 9<sup>th</sup> to pass out flyers on the park and upcoming programs

### Events

- Programs held in June update:
  - **Tyke Hike** – Total attendance for this event this month was 12 individuals on June 9<sup>th</sup> only. The June 23<sup>rd</sup> date was cancelled due to conflict. Attendees come to participate in an indoor activity and then also to go outdoors on an interpretive walk with Marni. The focus on June 9<sup>th</sup> was insects
  - **Kid's Rule Cooking School** – This event sold out! There were 13 kids in attendance, ages ranging from eight to thirteen. The theme was Herbs. An outside instructor came in and taught the kids how to make a fruit salad with mint, ranch dressing from scratch, and rosemary skewers with shrimp and vegetables. The kids also planted some herbs to take home. We are hosting another Kid's Rule Cooking School in July.
  - **Summer Fun Run** – Organized by Hendricks County Parks, this is a series of runs that visit many parks in Hendricks County. We hosted on June 10<sup>th</sup> and had 503 people in attendance. This was the largest number to attend any of the runs, not only this year, but every year since its inception.
  - **Concert by the Creek** – After plenty of rain and the threat of more, the concert was moved inside the Pavilion Center. Despite this, there were about 300 people in attendance, some taking advantage of the dance floor while others sat on the covered patio and enjoyed nature, the music, and craft beer provided by Three Pints. Park Staff, Avon Park Staff and Township Trustee all heard various comments made hoping that the park does another concert soon. Thank you to the board for the quick resolution and making a night like this possible. We would also like to thank Toy Factory for playing, The American Legion for the food, Three Pints, and Terri Fisher from Avon Parks.

## Future Program Planning

- **Fourth of July Bike Parade** – Kids are invited to bring their bicycles to the lower level of the park, decorate them in festive décor, and have bicycle parade along the paved trail.
- **Tyke Hike** – Ongoing event. July will focus Habitats
- **Painting in the Park** – On July 26<sup>th</sup> we will continue our seasonal series of step-by-step painting led by an instructor. Weather permitting, we will be painting on the back patio of the Pavilion Center

## Pavilion Center Update

- Each month will have a breakdown of the events rented through the Pavilion Center. In addition to it being a revenue generator for the Park, it is also a great resource for our community to use and become familiar with. We are proud of the venue and the diversity of events that take place here, and want to share them with you!

6/1/15 – Insanity/Piyo Class, Park Sponsored

6/2/15 – Carpenter Realtor's Meeting, ~20

6/1-4/15 – Business Meeting, 20, Sahms, City BBQ, and ChickFilA

6/3/15 – Kid's Cooking Class, Park Event

6/5/15 – Wedding Set-Up, 25

6/6/15 – Wedding Reception, 170, Jugs, Linen Rental

6/7/15 – Wedding Ceremony & Reception, 200, Jugs, Cleaning Purchased and Linen Rental

6/8/15 – Insanity/Piyo Class, Park Sponsored

6/9/15 – Tyke Hike, Park Event

6/9/15 – Twp. Board Meeting

6/10/15 – Gov't Meeting, 25, No Catering

6/8-11/15 – Gov't Meeting, 25-75, No Catering

6/12/15 – Wedding Set-Up, 25

6/13/15 – Wedding Reception, 200, Cochrans & Green Street, Cleaning Purchased

6/14/15 – Graduation Party, 50, Self-Catered

6/14/15 – Graduation Party, Open House, Self-Catered

6/15/15 – Insanity/Piyo Class, Park Sponsored

6/16/15 – Carpenter Realtor's Meeting, ~20

6/19/15 – Concert by the Creek, moved indoors due to rain, Park Event

6/20/15 – Wedding Reception, 100, Jonathan Byrd's, Cleaning Purchased

6/22/15 – Insanity/Piyo Class, Park Sponsored

6/24/15 – Meeting, 25, City BBQ

6/26/15 – Wedding Set-Up, 25, Self-Catered

6/27/15 – Wedding Ceremony & Reception, 175, Self & MCL

6/28/15 – Wedding Reception, 200, City BBQ, Linen Rental

6/29/15 – Insanity/Piyo Class, Park Sponsored

## Maintenance Update

- Please see attached document detailing the breakdown of labor hours for the current month.



## June 2015

Sum of Labor Hours		
Craft	Location	Total
Concrete	Pavilion Center	3
Concrete Total		3
Doors and Hardware	Paw Park	0.75
Doors and Hardware Total		0.75
Electrical	Lower Park	2.5
Electrical Total		2.5
Equipment Maintenance	Maintenance Area	10.25
Equipment Maintenance Total		10.25
Event Break Down	Pavilion Center	11
Event Break Down Total		11
Event Setup	Pavilion Center	25.5
Event Setup Total		25.5
General Maintenance	Maintenance Area	11
	Splash Pad	0.5
	Trail System	1
	Upper Park	0.5
General Maintenance Total		13
Grass Cutting	Cemeteries	31.5
	Lower Park	30.5
	Paw Park	9.5
	Upper Park	38.5
Grass Cutting Total		110
Grounds	Maintenance Area	0.5
	Upper Park	8
Grounds Total		8.5
Housekeeping	Maintenance Area	7
	Pavilion Center	4.5
	Paw Park	1.5
	Upper Park	40.5
Housekeeping Total		53.5
Landscaping	Lower Park	1
	Pavilion Center	3
	Upper Park	7.5
Landscaping Total		11.5
Lighting (Outdoor)	Upper Park	5.5
Lighting (Outdoor) Total		5.5
Miscellaneous	Maintenance Area	41.5
	Pavilion Center	4
	Upper Park	0.5
Miscellaneous Total		46
Pest Control	Pavilion Center	1
Pest Control Total		1
Plumbing	Pavilion Center	0.5
	Splash Pad	4
Plumbing Total		4.5
Trash Removal	Trail System	2
Trash Removal Total		2
Tree Services	Lower Park	7
Tree Services Total		7
Grand Total		315.5