

**Parks and Recreation Board
Special Meeting
April 8, 2015**

Call to Order:

The Parks and Recreation Board Special Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Connie Buss, Barb Thomas, Lisa Bruner, Morgan Henton, Drew Holdren, John McLaughlin, Brandy Shouse, and Mayor Ray Vaughn.

Member Excused: Jason Doris.

Public Comments/Presentations:

1. Little Free Library presented by Haley Simpson
 - a. Promote the love of reading.
 - b. Will be having fundraisers to help with book costs.
 - c. Little Library has been built and being painted.

2. Illinois Audubon Society – Ridgeway Chapter – Karen Jameson Presenter
 - a. Bird Haven – duck blinds parked
 - b. Is there going to be an indoor pool?
 - c. Would support as a taxpayer the City of Olney to pay the cost of a handicap accessible bathroom at Musgrove Park instead of We Play Park raising the money.

3. Mayor Ray Vaughn spoke to encourage the Parks and Recreation Board to plan ahead for future needs that can be used by entities in each park.

4. Request doggie bag stations at Musgrove Park for dog walkers to dispose of waste.

Board Discussion

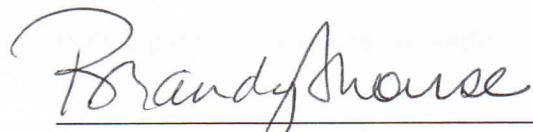
1. Comprehensive Plan
 - a. Include in Operating and Management section – have enough funding to maintain parks.
 - b. Enough staff to keep parks maintained.
 - c. Adopt a flower bed – organizations plant flowers and maintain flower beds.

2. One to Two Year Plan
 - a. Remove the old pool diving well – approved – in process of completion.
 - b. Adopt a bed – “flower bed”.

- c. Enlarged parking areas on the west side of the pool.
 - d. Lighting on south side of Musgrove Park between Silver and East Street.
 - e. Rotary Pavilion – to be replaced and Rotary is raising funds.
 - f. Trail head at trails across from dam.
 - g. Finish sidewalk.
 - h. Repair and paint pavilion at Miller's Grove.
 - i. Repair fountain at Bower Park.
 - j. Replace Ridgeway sign at Bird Haven.
3. All Inclusive Playground – funds raised by We Play Park.
4. Dog Park at Miller's Grove property.

Adjournment:

There being no further business presented for discussion the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m. following a motion by John McLaughlin and seconded by Drew Holdren.



Brandy Shouse, Secretary
Parks and Recreation Board