Meeting Minutes for Birchwood Parks and Natural Resource Committee Meeting Council Workshop 3/25/2013

Meeting called to order: John Lund, Mary Wingfield, Bea Krinkie, John McCormick, Kevin Woolstencroft, Bill Hullsiek, Sara Nephew, Jim Eckert, Greg Donavon, Debbie Harrod

Approve Agenda: All in favor

Approve Minutes from Feb 2013. John motions, all in favor

OLD BUSINES

- Warming house- Plans for warming house. Katie ask about labor is the \$3,500 include taking away concrete. Is this a priority? How to fund? Mary Wingfield wants us to come up with some priorities. Roads are underfunded. Sewer is underfunded. Lift stations needs money. Special parks funds-needs were covered by this fund in the past. Katie explained budget of parks.... There is no maintenance to tennis courts in the past. John explains the financing of the warming house. We need 17,804.00. Weed control 1,200.00. Irsfeld landscaping. Elm easement 300.00.
- John met with Molly at Rice Creek Watershed. About Putting at riprap down at Elm.
 John got estimate for \$5,000 or so. Need to reseed and get back to normal.
- DNR permit for \$35.00 per easement to mow and remove weeds below high water mark.
- John thinks \$5,000 is too much. He proposes bring a bobcat down and level it out.
- What are operations and management and what is special projects.
- Bill's priority is too keep everything in good repair and maintained. Is ok to let the path go?
- Greg-Hockey rink doesn't see local people down there. Cities are cutting back on these types of things.
- Kevin-Cost of the warming house. Thinks it's too high. Concrete to high.
- Greg- City should be responsible for maintenance.
- Parks need to come up with operations and expenses and give to Bill Hullsiek.
- John Mcormick- Proposes to get a permanent warming house. Recommendation to do this as a priority project. John Lund seconds, All in favor.
- Parks will go to city council meeting and ask for support and matching funds.
- Bill wants 1 plan with a variety of options. John will bring to the April meeting.