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The Park Board of the Town of St. John met on this date with the following members present:

Attendee 1, Ronald Estep	Attendee 4, Carolyn Walsko
Attendee 2, Richard Spring	Attendee 5,
Attendee 3, Bernie Ducat	Attendee 6,

The following members absent:

Absent 1,	Absent 4
Absent 2,	Absent 5
Absent 3,	Absent 6

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Ronald Estep.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was said.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Secretary read the minutes of the May 18, 1981 meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ron Estep received the contract from Service Sanitation for the porta-potties. The contract calls for one porta-pottie at Larimer Park and one at Security Federal Field, at a cost of \$75.00 per month. Running from June 16th to August 31st. The total cost to the Park Board is \$450.00.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Estep has not received the figure from Mr. O'Day for the Homestead Park pond control pipe. Mr. O'Day's engineer, Chester Ziemniak, has not completed the cost analysis.

LANDFILL

The Keilman property was the only are to receive any fill and more is needed. According to Mr. Estep, the other properties are too wet, but as the areas dry out the fill will be dropped off.

SUMMER PROGRAM

Mr. Estep spoke to Mr. Hand regarding release slips for the summer program. According to Mr. Hand, we need release slips, and he will prepare them. Mr. Hand indicated that the release slips would be ready by June 12th, but we have not received them yet. The St. John Garden Center is donating 15 to 20 flats of plants for the summer program.

VENTURA ESTATES

The Park Department requested five lots for parkland, but the developers have refused to donate any lots for parkland. The developers are willing to donate the pond, which they would fill and bring up to proper elevation. The area is approximately 2.2 acres, but because of its location and probable water problems, it was felt the land was undesirable. Carolyn Walsko made the motion that the Park Board not accept the land. Seconded by Dick Spring. Dick Spring felt that more suitable land should be obtained for the subdivision. Bernie Ducat mentioned his concern that the Plan Commission may accept the land in lieu of the Park Board's decision. Ron Estep indicated that if the Town accepts the land it should be deeded to the Town and not the Park Board. The motion passed unanimously. The Secretary is to prepare a letter to the St. John Plan Commission, telling them that the Park Board does not want the proposed area for park development.

ASSIGNMENTS

- A. Summer Program – Carolyn Walsko reported to date that over 70 children have signed up. Mrs. Walsko is still waiting for permission to use Civic Park for some of the activities.
- B. Winter Program – Richard Spring had nothing to report.
- C. Volleyball Program – Bernie Ducat has returned all the equipment so that it can be used at the Summer Program.
- D. Fitness Program – Ron Estep reported they are still running for fun on Sunday mornings. There have not been any responses to the Tennis Program or to any of the exercise programs through Lake Central High School or the YWCA.
- E. Park Maintenance – Richard Spring had nothing to report. Bernie Ducat did mention that we need signs for the parks regarding park rules. We have having problems with people bringing in beer and littering in the parks. The signs cannot be made up until we receive our tax draw and are able to pay for the materials.

- F. Public Relations – Carolyn Walsko had nothing to report.
- G. Town Liaison – Ron Estep had nothing to report.
- H. Softball & Baseball – Bernie Ducat asked again that the Town come out and put the ball diamonds in shape.
- I. Centennial – Carolyn Walsko had nothing to report. Mrs. Walsko passed out Centennial raffle tickets (20) to Dick Spring and 20 to Bernie Ducat to sell.

NEW BUSINESS

The 1982 Budget was discussed, the total budget came to \$18,903.00. Bernie Ducat made the motion that the 1982 budget be passed at \$18,903.00. The motion was seconded by Ron Estep. The budget was passed unanimously.

A letter was received from the Homestead Acres Community Association Inc. requesting two permits. One to use Larimer Park on August 8th and a beer permit for their homeowners' picnic. The association submitted \$10.00 to the Town for the special permit.

Ron Estep has been in contact with the United States Department of Interior. The Fish and Wildlife Department will be out this fall to stock Homestead Park pond.

PAYING OF BILLS

No bills to be paid. Open discussion none.

ADJOURNMENT

Carolyn Walsko made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bernie Ducat. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Carolyn Walsko
Secretary