## GERMANTOWN PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION Meeting Minutes January 26, 2012

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Germantown Parks and Recreation Commission for January 26, 2012 took place at Germantown Parks and Recreation, 2276 West Street.

PRESENT: ABSENT:

Kevin Young
Mike Agee
Mary Anne Gibson
Becky Zaworotko
Bill Lansden
Rodney Strop
James Wilson
Mike Palazzolo, Alderman

Pam Beasley, Director of Parks and Recreation Andrew Wilensky

Guests: Andy Pouncey Rich and Eileen Stern Ron Roberson Dean Thomas

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF October 27, 2011

There were no corrections noted.

It was moved by Mr. Strop, seconded by Mr. Wilson to approve minutes of October 27, 2011.

Young – yes; Agee – yes; Gibson – yes, Zaworotko – yes, Lansden – yes, Strop – Yes, Wilson – yes, Palazzolo – yes.

## VETERAN'S COMMITTEE REQUEST

Mr. Rodney Strop introduced the Veteran's Committee. The Germantown Veteran's Recognition Committee is requesting that a space be set aside in Municipal Park (in close proximity to the Germantown Community Library) where an appropriate space will be designated to remind the City of the service given to our country by its citizens. The project will be privately funded, constructed, and turned over to the City. Mr. Andy Pouncy discussed the project with the Commission. The project is more of a "place of remembrance" rather than a

memorial. The Committee wants to recognize, celebrate, honor, and remember the members of the US Armed Forces who call Germantown home. There are five groups to be recognized including those in active duty, Veterans, those fallen, those who have received purple hearts, and those missing in action.

A motion was passed to recommend to the BMA their support and approval for the Veteran's Committee's plan to create a place of remembrance and education at the Circle Plaza located in Municipal Park within the next three years and include first right of usage.

## BOBBY LANIER FARM PARK PROJECT – PHASE I APPROVAL

Mr. Dean Thomas reviewed the Master Plan for the Bobby Lanier Farm Park and included a summary of the Public Charrette, review of the overall Master Plan, and the proposed Phase I improvements including emergency access, water extension for fire protection, a community garden, the orchard, the chicken coop area, and a Demonstration/Play Yard. Display boards were presented showing the possible improvements and new projects. Ms. Pam Beasley noted that using the site for actual food production would generate a lot of money to go back into sustaining the site. There was also discussion regarding parking and possible overflow solutions due to big events.

A motion was passed to recommend proceeding with Phase I production and present to the BMA. It was moved by Mrs. Mary Anne Gibson, seconded by Mr. Jim Wilson.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.