

**Acker Trust Board
General Meeting
July 22, 2009
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA**

MINUTES OF THE **General Meeting** OF THE **Acker Trust Board** held on **July 22, 2009** in the **Grace Sparkes Activity Center Flagstone Room** located at **824 E. Gurley St**, Prescott, Arizona.

1. Roll Call

Members Present: Judy Steward, Bob Beyea, Maggie Greenwood, Steve Stazenski, Jim McCasland

Others Present: Debbie Horton, Greg Toth, Jeff Fanning, Michelle Stacy

2. Discussion on Detention Pond on Acker Trust Land- Greg Toth and Jeff Fanning of Engineering Services were on hand to present to the Acker Trust Board their plans for a Detention Pond that if approved by the Board, would be built in Acker Park. The proposed site is on the back end of Acker Park, in close proximity to the Homestead Development owned by Carl Tenney.

The purpose of the detention pond would be to temporarily hold water (rainfall) to help alleviate flooding on Virginia Street. The total cost for building the pond is estimated at \$100,000.00, and Greg has approached Mr. Tenney, with Mr. Tenney agreeing to pay \$120,000.00. The excess of \$20,000.00 would go for maintaining the pond. Greg acknowledged that in building the pond, natural vegetation would be removed and replanted, but Jim McCasland stated that it is very hard to replant natural vegetation and have it continue to grow. Greg also said that when building the pond, engineers would like to make it look as natural to the surroundings as possible. Greg told the Board that he would look into having a certified landscape architect look at the vegetation to get an opinion on what types of vegetation that could be brought in to make the area "blend".

There were many concerns stated by the Board. Maggie Greenwood is concerned with the safety liability of having an open pond on the Acker Trust property. She is concerned with someone accidentally falling in and possibly drowning. Bob Beyea and other Board members would like to see the Acker Trust Board getting some sort of monetary reciprocation for use of the land to build the pond.

Greg also made an alternative solution to help alleviate flooding on Virginia St. He suggested that a new channel be built off of the existing one. Building this channel will affect the entry of the park and would only be a minimal fix for flooding on Virginia St. Greg told the Board that if the detention pond idea is not supported, the re-channeling will need to be done. Greg would like to approach the Council with his ideas, but the Board decided that there is not enough information to support the idea at this time. It was the recommendation of the Board to have Mr. Toth come back to the September 24, 2009 meeting with more information on both options.

3. Field Trip to Detention Pond Site – Field Trip was cancelled due to weather

4. Adjournment- Meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm

Next Scheduled Meeting: September 24, 2009