

PARK BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, January 5, 2015

Present: Superintendent Mike Clendenen (Not voting), Tonya Faupel, Tom Fisher, Leon Davis, Theresa Hatton, Mike Marhenke. Recreation Director, Anna Gurney, Maintenance Director, Andy Laughlin, Aquatics Director, Kim Yoh, Attorney, Doug Runyan, Chris Baker & Bob Byrd

1. Call to Order – Mike Marhenke called the January 5th, 2015 Park Board meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. Tonya Faupel made a motion to approve the December Park Board meeting minutes. Tom Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Claims- Tom made a motion to approve claims #20714-20796 for a total of \$121,012.54. Superintendent Clendenen explained a few claims. Leon Davis Seconded. Motion carried.
4. Election of Officers –
President - Leon Davis nominated Mike Marhenke, Tonya Faupel seconded.
Vice President – Tom Fisher nominated Leon Davis, Tonya Faupel seconded.
Secretary – Leon Davis nominated Tonya Faupel
Treasurer - Leon Davis nominated Tom Fisher
Theresa Hatton seconded both motions for Secretary and Treasurer.
Motions carried.
5. Plan Commission Appointment- Tom Fisher nominated Leon Davis for this appointment, Tonya Faupel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Meadowbrook Center Discussion – Demolition on the interior of Meadowbrook bathhouse is currently underway and is being done by maintenance staff. Most interior walls have been removed. The ADA restroom has been left in the facility. This will be used as a single stall, unisex restroom. Dave McHenry provided a bid to remove the old concrete pool and deteriorated concrete pool. Superintendent recommended that this come out of fund #23. Theresa Hatton made a motion to approve Dave McHenry’s bid not to exceed \$7,000. Tom Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. Werling Property Update – The Werling Park Master Plan Committee met to plan essential components of a new community center facility. Doug Runyan reported that the Werling Family has removed the contents from the home that they wish to keep. Paperwork is being finalized and the sale should be complete within a few weeks.
3. Schnelker Park Restroom Discussion – Holly Hunter with Hamilton Hunter Builders, provided a cost savings from the original bid of \$41,196. This would eliminate all site concrete except 5’ wide perimeter apron around the building, the canopy, 2 sinks, 1

toilet, 1 urinal, and would shorten the building 5 feet east/west and 2 feet north/south.

Mike Marhenke suggested taking what was available from Fund #24 and the remainder from Fund #26 and then replenishing the money spent from Fund #26 over the next few years. This would be done by making increased contributions to Fund #24. The increased contributions in Fund #24 could then be earmarked to be used only toward a Community Center to ensure that there will be money there for a future community center.

Tonya Faupel made a motion to accept the revised bid from Hamilton Hunter in an amount not to exceed \$180,000 with payment coming from Fund #24 and Fund #26. \$90,000 from Fund #24 will be used first and the balance from Fund #26. Additionally, there will be a moratorium on expenditures toward remodeling the Meadowbrook bathhouse until contributions have been made to Fund #24 to replenish money spent from Fund #26 toward the Schnelker Park Restroom project. The new money contributed from the budget into Fund #24 will be earmarked for use only toward a future community center and not spent on other projects. Leon Davis seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Park Financial Review – Superintendent Clendenen reviewed Park Funds and explained major purchases, changes and happenings in the Park Budget, as well as cash flow and revenue over the last few years.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Superintendent Clendenen stated will be attending the Indiana State Park Conference January 13-16 in Michigan City. At the awards banquet Thursday January 15 he will accept the 2014 Award of Excellence for the 4 Wellness Summer Series.

RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Anna Gurney reported that she is in the middle of planning 2015 spring and summer programs, preparing the next program guide and completing the 2015 Motor Coach Trips.

AQUATIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Kim held an aquatics meeting and discussed swim team meets and charging participants a per person fee. She is also beginning to get organized and prepare for the 2015 season.

OFFICE MANAGER REPORT:

1. Conflict of Interest Statements were presented noting potential conflicts with Board Member Mike Marhenke and Office Manager Natalie Rider.

Tonya Faupel made a motion to approve the conflict of interest statements as presented for Mike Marhenke and Natalie Rider. Tom fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. Four resolutions were presented regarding the acceptance of donations to the Park Department from the following:

- a. Lutheran Life Villages in the amount of \$800 for 2015 Senior Lunch Sponsorship.
- b. Susan Reams in the amount of \$30 for a Memorial Brick.
- c. Mary Renninger in the amount of \$80 for 2 Memorial Bricks.
- d. Friends of the Parks in the amount of \$1,497.05 for the purchase of Trees for the Great Tree Canopy Comeback.

Tonya Faupel made a motion to approve the four resolutions as presented. Teresa Hatton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Bob Byrd was disappointed to hear that the Board would not work to improve the existing Meadowbrook facility in the immediate future and feels that it is letting down that community.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05pm

Attested By _____ Signed By _____