

PARK BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

Monday, May 1, 2017
6:00 P.M.

Location: **New Haven Community Center**

Attendance: Tom Fisher, Theresa Hatton, Leon Davis, Tonya Faupel, Mike Marhenke, Mike Clendenen, Doug Runyan, Anna Gurney, Craig Dellinger, Kim Yoh

1. Call to Order

- The May 1, 2017 Park Board meeting was called to order at 6:00PM.

2. Approval of Minutes

- Teresa Hatton moved to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2017 Park Board Meeting; Tom Fisher seconded; Motion carried.

3. Approval of Claims

- Tom Fisher moved to approve the following claims:
 - \$70,790.44 in invoices
 - \$39,568.05 in Payroll claims
 - \$131.74 to the Indiana Department of Revenue
 - \$3,474.86 for Utility claims
 - \$200,000 in InvestmentsFor a grand total of \$313,965.09; Tonya Faupel seconded; Motion carried.
- Tonya Faupel moved to approve the Community Center Bond claims totaling \$22,378; Teresa Hatton seconded, Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Community Center Discussion

- Sup. Clendenen proposed that the Park Department extend the trail around the community center property perimeter through an easement to Brookdale Drive on the South East corner of the 7500 SR 930 East Property to provide access to the Community Center from the Meadowbrook addition. The proposed would require work from Fritch Construction for site work totaling \$6,759 and Wayne Asphalt totaling \$7,484, less a \$2,317 credit for previous work.
 - Tonya Faupel moved to approve the trail extension through an easement to Brookdale drive as presented, not to exceed \$13,000. Leon Davis seconded, Motion carried.
- The I-beam ordered by Schenkel construction to create two separate fitness rooms is not the correct sized and needs to be reworked to fit. Overall project is moving slowly. Completion date is mid-June at the earliest due to setback and HVAC & flooring requirements.

2. Park Center Property Discussion

- Attorney, Doug Runyan, created a resolution allowing Mike Marhenke to sign the necessary paperwork on behalf of the Park Board authorizing the sale of the 1125 Hartzell Street property.
 - Leon Davis moved to approve the resolution as presented allowing Park Board President, Mike Marhenke, to sign the necessary paperwork for the sale of the Park Center property. Teresa Hatton seconded; Motion carried.

3. Haskamp Property Discussion

- A public hearing was held at the April 25th New Haven City Council meeting allowing the Park property to be sold. After a 30 day remonstrance period and legal notices posted in the paper, the "for sale" sign may be officially posted on the property May 25th.

4. Senior Consignment Shop Discussion

- Recreation Director, Anna Gurney, researched the possibility of having a Senior Citizen run consignment shop in the Community Center, per the request of several seniors. This can in fact be done, but without the proper staff to organize and run the shop, there are concerns that the shop would be successful. There is not a staff person currently in place that is able to absorb this role. Therefore, it is recommended that until additional staff be hired to help run senior programming, including the consignment shop, and until that time, the matter be tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Park Board Minutes Corrections

- There were some errors noticed in the minutes. These will be addressed and brought back to the board for approval of the corrections.

2. AA Room Request

- It has been requested of the Park Board that an AA group be allowed to meet in the Community Center weekly to study the AA Service Manual. It was determined that 1X/week was too much of a space commitment; however, the Board would consider allowing the group to meet in the space monthly.

3. New Haven Food Bank Request

- Emmanuel Lutheran Church runs a food bank in New Haven. They have requested that the Park Department pick it up and move it weekly for the church. The consensus of the group that the Maintenance Staff is already spread too thin and it is not a task that the staff should begin doing.

4. Jury Park Bond Discussion

- Sup. Clendenen met with Brenda Adams and financial planner for the City of New Haven, Greg Gerritauz, who proposed that the Park Department refinance the Jury Pool bond. Money saved could be put it back into the Park or used to lower the bond payment. Mike Marhenke will discuss this further with the Greg. Tabled until next month.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- Surplus vehicles were auctioned and the \$20,790 received from these vehicles will go back into Fund 24. Miscellaneous surplus items were auctioned and the \$1,080 received will go back into Fund 23.
 - Tonya Faupel moved to accept the auction money from surplus items from AAA Auction as outlined above. Tom Fisher seconded; Motion carried.

RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Save Maumee wrapped up their month long Earth Day event April 23rd. 1,100 trees were planted in Moser and Heatherwood Parks and hundreds of invasive plants such as Asian Honeysuckle, were removed to give the native plants room to grow. Over 300 volunteers and much hard work made this event a success. Anna Gurney thanked Abigail King, founder of the group, for leading this effort.
- The New Haven Alumni Band has officially disbanded due to declining interest and participation.
- Interviews are still being conducted to fill vacant seasonal positions within the Parks.

AQUATIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- The Aquatics department is fully staffed at 62 members. The pool is scheduled to open on May 27th. Concessions at Jury opened for Saturdays during Flag Football on April 29th. Pool staff will help with opening the pool this year.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM