



March 2018 Minutes

Members:

- Meeting started at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, 3/6/2018
- Present: Reba Casler, Rick Homkes, Jill Newby, Erica Parvin, Laura Redding
- Absent: Matt Johnson, Ashley Wyrick
- Guests: Don Parvin, Linda Schermer

Topics:

- Don Parvin requested some time to bring the Board up to date on some things going on around town and some actions by the Council. These include:
 - A US flag will be purchased for the inside of the Community Center and an Indiana flag is being considered for outside display.
 - The sound problem at the Community Center will not be a cheap fix. Carpeting will be in the \$7K to \$9K range. Discussion was held on cleaning and the use of sectional carpet squares that could be individually replaced. A second solution, sound baffles, would be in the \$4K area.
 - The town will be working on a flood plain ordinance.
 - Picnic tables will need to be painted or stained to extend their life.
 - If buying mulch, remember to get double spun.
 - A community meeting will be held at the Community Center 3/7 titled Russiaville Community Outreach.
- Minutes: No February minutes were presented for approval.
- Treasurers Report: No report available.
- Park & Tree Board and Tree Standards Ordinances: Rick Homkes reported that they passed on second reading. A few last updates will be made and they will be presented to the Council for third and final reading at the March Council meeting.
- CC Windows: The window treatment fix is still on hold for warmer weather. Megan Reel and Jill Newby were with Reba Casler when they met with Park Avenue.
- Indiana American donation: Floor opened for ideas on how to spend the money from Indiana American. New fencing around Brady Park was discussed, but new signage for all Town recreational properties was more favored. Motion by Redding, second by Casler to use the money for signage. Motion passed 5-0.

Action Items: Redding will investigate post signage and Homkes will investigate stone signage (like at Gambino's).
- Community Center Playground: Homkes passed out a short report on McCaw Park in Lafayette: 10K square feet, \$300K project of which \$120K was the poured in place rubber surface. Nature theme was appreciated by all. Schermer very impressed by mother and baby swing.
- Website: Redding and Newby had a good meeting with Rhiannon Thompson about the web site. Site now includes Board goals and accomplishments, information on the trail project, and some pictures of the new playground piece.
- Recycling Bins and Benches: No new information from E Parvin.



- Community Day: Dates are May 8 with May 9 the rain day. Ideas for projects includes spreading mulch, repainting lines on basketball court, staining picnic tables.
Action Items: Newby will talk to Kirk Smith about the train at the Interurban Station.
- Community Center Cleanup Checklist: Discussion of what a renter should be expected to do.
Action Items: Homkes will retype checklist.
- Feed a Bee Grant: Homkes reported that the next step will be ordering flowers and doing initial design.
- Budget: Newby reminded everyone that the 2019 budget request is due in April. This must be created at the April Board meeting.
- Community Foundation: Homkes presented a white paper on the community foundation and how their grant making operates.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

Minutes taken by Rick Homkes.