



May Regular Board Meeting Minutes

May 2, 2023

Members

- **Present:** Jeremy Burns, Reba Casler, Cherie Helmberger, Rick Homkes, Janna Hyman (left early), Jill Newby
- **Absent:** Erica Parvin
- **Guest(s):** Joshua Connolly, Donald Harrah
- **Meeting:** Started 17:04

Topics

- **Minutes:** Motion made by Rick to accept minutes as written, seconded by Janna. Vote to approve 6-0 in favor.
- **Treasurer Report:** Rick went over the 4/24/2023 spreadsheet of P&T accounts and their balances.

Old Business

- **Playground Community Center Park**
 - Pavers – Reba had nothing new to report
 - CC Park bathroom – Jeremy had nothing new to report.
- **Eagle Scout Project – Gaga Pit**
 - Joshua Connolly reported on progress for the gaga ball pit he wants to build in the Town Park playground area.
 - A phone check with PlayPros reported that it has to be 6' from the climbing bars and the swings. A check in the playground by the scout and his father reported that there is enough room if the dimensions of the pit are slightly reduced. A 9' pit would fit.
 - The cost is estimated at \$3289. Donations and fund raising would be used to obtain the money.
 - Moved and seconded to approve the concept to the Town Council. Passed 6-0.
- **Fundraisers**
 - **New Fundraiser ideas:**
 - Jim Dandy – The fund raiser was held on 4/26 but we do not know the amount raised.
 - Car Show – Erica said that it looks good.
 - **Corporate Donor Appointments**



- Martin Marietta – Still no news.
 - Community Foundation – We received the \$100,000 grant! This can now be part of the 50/50 match for a grant request to the IDNR in 2024.
 - Functional Devices – Jill has met with Mark Fernandez on this.
 - Merrill Brothers – Cherie will be working this.
 - Severns / Coke – Rick will recontact.
- **Town Park**
- **Replace wood swing structure at Town Park (Brady Park)**
 - PlayPros installed the swing structure and two swings. One of the broken swings in the Childrens Playground was replaced by one of the old swings from Brady Park. The installation went well.
 - **Summer Programs** – Jill and Janna are working on this. Nothing new to report.
 - **Ash Trees Replacements** – Four new trees are planned to replace the two ash trees taken down in the Town Park. Jeremy reported information on replacements. Options include red maple, saw tooth oak, Princeton elm, and service berry. Jeremy said that he would take care of selection and transport – Thanks Jeremy.
- **Compost at Water Treatment Plant** – Rick had no news to report.
- **Recycling Presentation** –There is a meeting planned with Kokomo Recycling in partnership with the Lions Club. We should have a date next month.
- **Community Day** - May 16th, Rain date May 17th. A discussion was had about supervisors and projects needing to be done. Erica and Rick are available. Rick will be at the property next to the library. Jill will look for mulch donation. Rick will check if mulch is need around CC Park trees and the disc gold poles. Does the train need stain?

New Business

- **Park Rules Signs** – Town Council wants us to pick out common sense rules for signage at the parks, two at Town Park and one at CC Park. Jill will arrange a meeting with Josh to work this out.
- **Mission Statement and Vision Statement** –Tabled until next month.

Adjourn: 18:43

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