



PARKS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

July 8, 2020

Attendees:

Matthew Weyer
Mike Steffe
~~Natalie Howard~~
Jill Schipp
Tom Lueken

Jenna Steltenpohl – Ferdinand Library

The meeting started at 4:30 pm. Natalie Howard was absent. The board read over the minutes from the June 10th meeting. Matt made a motion to approve, Jill seconded, all were in favor. Reviewed finances from the June 10th meeting. Matt made a motion to approve, Mike seconded, all were in favor.

Ferdinand Branch Library StoryWalk

Jenna Steltenpohl with the Ferdinand Branch Library presented a request to host a temporary StoryWalk program along the Ferdinand 18th St Park walking Trail. Details were presented and discussed with Tom and the board. The board approved the park's use for this program sometime in July. Further details will be published by the library regarding the StoryWalk. The program will occur sometime in late July. Tom was agreeable and made suggestions on the type of sign to be used to allow for easier mowing.

COVID-19 items

The parks are following the State's Back on Track standards and directives.

Cleaning Concepts has been cleaning the shelters and restrooms on a daily basis. According to Chris James and Tom Lueken, the process has been going relatively smoothly. There was a minor miscommunication on one day; however, it was resolved and thus far are doing a nice job.

Cancelled/Adjusted Events

- All July Tournaments cancelled
- Folkfest cancelled
- Girls Softball league - Mike suggested refunding their money. Rage will get \$125 back and Girls Softball league will get \$385.
- Boys Little League is cancelled. We recommend refunding their money too. Total will be \$690.
- Forest Park Youth Soccer played for about a month. Mike and Alex discussed a \$600 refund which was approved. Fall soccer has not yet been planned.



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- Heimatfest cancelled
- Not sure what is going on with SP&F Football
- YMCA league plans to start soon.
- Unsure if Rosenvolk will take place in October. Have not been contacted by them.
- Summer Program has been cancelled.

Per the Dubois County Health Department, any event or league is required to submit a COVID response plan for the upcoming events. Mike Steffe has been working with those partners to help them submit a plan.

Old Town Lake

The Old Town Lake was opened to the public on July 3, 2020. The Park Board wishes to again thank all of the phase 1 donors for their generosity. A big thank you needs to go to the DNR Land and Water Conservation Fund. Also thank you to the town departments for helping with the various work needed to get Phase 1 complete. Thank you to the town council, Tammy, Kendra, and Chris for your help. Thank you as well to the design and construction teams of Universal Design, Seufert Construction, and Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission.

A temporary sign acknowledging the donors has been installed near the walking path. A permanent sign will be installed after phase 2.

Remaining work at the park includes installing bird netting in the pump house as well as painting the bollards.

The park board discussed September 26th as a possible ribbon cutting event. Public events will need to be still determined depending upon the status of the pandemic. Further discussion with the town council needs to commence to understand the risks of such events.

Final Pay Apps #12 & #13 were approved by the Park Board and submitted to the town council which includes release of retainage, essentially closing the project. Final payment & reimbursable expense payments to Universal Design were approved by the Park Board.

- Pay App #12 - \$ 23,413.49
- Pay App #13 - \$ 24,243.25
- Universal Design Remaining Fixed Fees (\$5,000) + Reimbursables (\$379.26)

5th street projects

Nothing new on security access.



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Tom and his crew repaired the ditch next to the football field since it had washed out. Tom reconstructed the area and built a berm to better handle the issue.

Water hammer is not fixed but will be repaired when it is hooked back up.

18th Street Park

Basketball court still needs resurfacing. We have not received a quote from either of Tom's contacts. We would like to do this this year yet if pricing is received and funds are available.

Matt made a motion to close the meeting, Jill seconded, all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm.

Minutes submitted on 12 August 2020

Matthew Weyer

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew Weyer". The signature is stylized and includes a date "8/12" written vertically to the right of the name.